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LIVERPOOL WIN

HUDDERSFIELD BEAT VILLA

Tranmere Beat Oldham 13 To 4!

BELL SHATTERS LEAGUE GOAL-SCORING RECORD

London, To-day. Liverpool's victory over the Arsenal at Highbury provided the major sensation in yesterday's soccer programme, while Huddersfield reversed the result of their previous day's game against the Villa.

Sunderland, the present League leaders, continued in winning vein, beating Leeds by the odd goal in three, while Pompey held Derby to a draw after an excellent win on Christmas Day.

Tranmere Rovers compiled a huge score against Oldham Athletic winning by 13 goals to 4. Bell, the Tranmere centre-forward, scored nine goals, breaking the League record of seven goals, which was recently equalled by Drake, the Arsenal leader.

COVENTRY REVIVAL Following their debacle against the lowly placed Aldershot team on Christmas Day, Coventry staged a comeback yesterday to win the odd goal in three in their away match.

In their return "needle" match, Chesterfield beat Chester by an only goal.

Results, as cabled by Reuter, were:—

FIRST DIVISION	
Arsenal	1
Birmingham	1
Blackpool	2
Blackburn	1
Cardiff	1
Derby	1
Everton	4
Huddersfield	4
Preston	2
Stoke	2
Sunderland	2
West Brom	5
Wolves	3

SECOND DIVISION	
Blackpool	2
Bradford	2
Charlton	1
Hull City	1
Manchester U.	1
Newcastle	3
Norwich	5
Nottingham F.	6
Plymouth	2
Sheffield U.	4
Southampton	2
Wolves	3

THIRD DIVISION (South)	
Aldershot	1
Bournemouth	2
Bristol C.	0
Cardiff	1
Crystal P.	5
Exeter	4
Gillingham	3
Luton	1
Reading	5
Torquay	3
Watford	2
Queens P.R.	1

THIRD DIVISION (North)	
Accrington	2
Barrow	6
Chesterfield	1
Halifax	1
Lincoln C.	2
Manfield	4
Nottingham	4
Stockport	2
Tranmere	13
Wrexham	1
York City	4
Darlington	1

* postponed owing to fog

H.M.S. RAMULLES ORDERED TO GIBRALTAR

Gibraltar, To-day. — H.M.S. Ramulles has been ordered to proceed from the East to here, and is expected on January 1, when H.M.S. Renown will leave for Malta and Alexandria. — Reuter.



The daughter of a general he had executed is said to have assassinated Marshal Sun Chuang-fang (above), sometime Chinese war lord, as he was leaving his Tientsin home, where he had lived in retirement for seven years.

SOUTH AFRICA RECOVERS

The Second Test At Johannesburg

Johannesburg, To-day.

The second Test-match between South Africa and Australia, which commenced on Christmas Eve, was continued yesterday when the Australians, who were 168 for 3 at the close of play on the first day, were all-out for 250 runs!

The position, at the close of play on the second day, was as follows:—
South Africa:—157 and 254 for 4 (A. D. Nourse 98 not out).
Australia:—250 (A. B. C. Langston 4 for 35 and B. Mitchell 4 for 26). — Reuter.

EASY WIN FOR M.C.C.

Kerr Bats Well For Canterbury

Christchurch, To-day.

The cricket match between the M.C.C. touring team and Canterbury ended here yesterday in a 10 wickets win for the tourists. M.C.C.:—364 (W. Barber 116, Hon. C. J. Lyttleton 80; J. B. Cromb 5 for 52) and 52 for 0. Canterbury:—243 (Kerr 146, not out; Sims 5 for 42) and 172 (Kerr 71; Read 6 for 61). — Reuter.

THE TIGER SEEN IN SHATIN

BUT SEARCH PARTY HAS NO LUCK

According to a report made to the Police, the tiger was seen by several villagers in the Shatin district yesterday, but, despite the fact that the Officer-in-charge of the Shatin Police Station went out with a party to look for the beast, no trace of it could be found. Enquiries from Mr. W. P. Thompson, A.S.P., New Territories, this morning brought no further light on the matter beyond the fact that "the tiger seems to be roaming about a good bit." No further report had been made regarding the loss of any cattle.

EURASIA PLANE MAKES FORCED LANDING

Shanghai, To-day. — A Eurasia plane was damaged in a forced landing at Changchow, near Wush, yesterday. The two American passengers and the German pilot and radioman were unhurt. — Reuter.

ABYSSINIAN ATTACK IN MAKALLE REGION

ITALIAN PLANE BROUGHT DOWN NEAR DAGGABHUR

ABBIADDI CASUALTIES ANNOUNCED

— CHINA MAIL — SPECIAL

Asmara, To-day. — The losses in fighting at Abbiaddi, just made known by the competent authorities, are stated to be, on the Italian side, seven officers killed and 167 wounded. The Abyssinian losses are estimated at 700 dead and 2,000 wounded.

According to advices from Addis Ababa an Italian plane was captured yesterday morning, according to reports received there, which state that two aeroplanes, not bombers, were sighted over Daggabbur. Anti-aircraft guns were brought into play, whereupon one plane was apparently badly hit and forced to land a few kilometres south of Daggabbur. The inmates were taken prisoner and the aeroplane seized.

Reports from the northern front show that fighting is still going on, but no further details are as yet available. — Trans-Ocean Service.

XMAS MORNING ACCIDENT

SOLDIER FALLS 30 FEET

CHEST INJURIES NOT SERIOUS

Fusilier Morris, attached to "P" Company, Royal Welch Fusiliers, and stationed at Mount Austin Barracks, The Peak, met with a slight accident on Christmas morning, as the result of which he had to be removed to the Military Hospital, where, fortunately, his injuries were found to be not serious.

It was stated that Fusilier Morris and a party of friends had missed the last tram and elected to walk back to the barracks, and when they came to a part of the road that is not particularly well-lit, Fusilier Morris missed his footing and fell 30 feet down the hillside, sustaining injuries to his chest.

His was picked up at once by his comrades, who had him removed to the hospital.

LONDON COUNTIES DEFEATED

"All Blacks" Triumph At Twickenham

London, To-day.

There was a big Rugby programme yesterday, the outstanding feature of which was the clash between the London Counties and the New Zealand tourists at Twickenham, which resulted in another win for the "All Blacks," by 24 points to 5.

Swansea, conquerors of the New Zealanders, secured another win in their long train of recent victories by beating the Universities' Athletic Union by 19 points to 11.

The following were yesterday's results, as cabled by Reuter:—

London Counties	5	New Zealand	24
Bristol	8	Pontypool	3
Gloucester	22	O.M.T.	6
Leicester	10	Richmond Pk.	7
Leeds	9	London Welsh	5
Northampton	5	Pennarth	6
West of Scotland	6	London Scottish	6
Blackheath	6	Ramsay Park	6
Aberavon	9	Crosskeys	5
Bath	8	Old Eves	5
Cardiff	25	London Irish	4
Exeter	3	Aberdare	3
Newport	9	Warrington	3
Swansea	19	Univ. of Wales	11

* not played



The reported intention of M. Laval, above, to speak personally against M. Laval in the foreign affairs debate in the Chamber to-day, has again seriously menaced the existence of the Laval Government in France.

COLD SPELL IN NEW YORK

One Hundred Deaths Reported

New York, To-day.

Fifty-two people have died as a direct result of the coldest spell America has experienced in 25 years. Thousands of people have also been injured in accidents on the icebound roads. Howling winds are sweeping several States, smashing countless windows.

New York, later: The death toll from the cold is now over 100. — Reuter.

LANDSLIDE IN AMERICA

100,000 TONS OF EARTH COLLAPSE

San Francisco, To-day.

A terrific landslide, believed to be due to leaking waterpipes or a hidden cave, roared down a mountain near the San Francisco College for Women and forced 25 nuns to flee from their quarters attached to the College.

About 100,000 tons of earth fell, breaking the waterpipes and power lines and buckling the surfaces of the streets. In one case the roadway was pushed up 20 feet. — Reuter.

RAIL SMASH IN NORTH

THREE KILLED AND SEVEN INJURED

Nanking, To-day.

Three members of the crew were killed and seven seriously injured in a collision at Tsao-chi, North Pengpu, yesterday between a passenger train from Tientsin, bound for the north, and a freighter. — Reuter.

TRAFFICKERS IN BONDS

Severe Punishments Threatened

Nanking, To-day.

The Ministry issued a proclamation yesterday threatening with severe punishment those unscrupulous persons who are reported to have recently counterfeited a large number of Treasury bonds issued by the Ministry under the Academy was opened for the first time on Boxing Day in response year of the Chinese Republic (1927) for circulation. The public are warned not to accept these bonds. — Central News Agency.

PROTEST BY CHINESE

JAPANESE RADIO AT PAOTAO

Nanking, To-day.

The Foreign Office has protested to the Japanese Embassy against the erection of a radio station at Paotao by a Japanese named Sato, and also against the alleged plan of the Japanese Military Attaché to make fortnightly serial visits from Tientsin to Paotao. — Reuter.

ART EXHIBITION OPEN ON BOXING DAY

London, To-day. The Royal Academy was opened for the first time on Boxing Day in response year of the Chinese Republic (1927) for circulation. The public are warned not to accept these bonds. — Central News Agency.

NEW PROVISIONS FOR RECRUITING

CONSCRIPTION PERIODS INCREASED

E. AFRICAN DISPUTE SHELVED IN VIEW OF GERMAN "MENACE"

— CHINA MAIL — SPECIAL

Paris, To-day. In the last few remaining days of the present year Parliament has such a great number of important matters to dispose of that it will have to work at high pressure.

The debate began yesterday afternoon about the recruiting law, the purpose of which is to increase the duration of compulsory military service from 12 to 18 months for those recruits who would normally be released from service in 1935; and from 1936 onwards the period of service should be two years until 1940. After 1940 the period of service is to be reduced again by stages, at the discretion of the War Minister, in accordance with the prevailing foreign political situation.

The object of this new recruiting law is to make good the deficiency in the number of recruits caused by the lower birth rates during the world war years. In actual fact the provisions of the law are already in operation, having been passed by a decree under the special powers granted to M. Laval by Parliament, but the law now requires ratification.

According to computations made by the War Ministry the number of recruits in 1934 was 226,000; and in 1935, 145,000. If one year's service were maintained there would be only 112,000 recruits in 1936, 112,000 in 1937, 141,000 in 1938, 162,000 in 1939, 162,000 in 1940, and only after that the normal complement of 250,000.

A FRENCH VIEW OF SANCTIONS

Any Intensification Degraded

MANIFESTO ISSUED BY EX-SERVICE MEN

Paris, To-day. The National Union of Ex-servicemen, whose membership exceeds 1,500,000, published a proclamation on Christmas night, protesting energetically against any intensification of sanctions.

The National Union declares that it considers it its duty to state that it would not like to put a single French soldier in danger of marching out to fight against the brother people, the Italians.

"We will never permit any ex-servicemen that they should raise weapons against those Englishmen or Italians—who have fought side by side on French soil. Therefore all the 9,048 sections of the National Union have been asked to make it clear to the Deputies and Senators of their constituencies that the Members of Parliament will be called to account should anything contrary to the wishes of the ex-servicemen result."

PROBLEM OF YOUNG CRIMINALS

Special Prisons To Be Provided

Nanking, To-day.

Young criminals in the leading cities will hereafter be placed in special prisons. In a circular order to the courts of the various provinces, the Ministry of Justice instructs that special prisons will be built for young criminals, under 20 years old, in view of the physical and psychological differences between them and adult criminals.

By the establishment and management of such prisons, various courts are said to have achieved remarkable results in reforming young criminals. — Central News Agency.

TRouble REPORTED IN CURACAO

The Hague, To-day. — The Admiralty is sending a detachment of marine forces to Curacao owing to the reported troubles in Venezuela following the death of the Dictator, General Gomez. — Reuter.

MAIL SCHEDULES

AIR MAIL

Imperial Airways via Singapore
Batavia-Amsterdam via Singapore
Saigon-Marseilles via Saigon
Singapore-Australia
Correspondence will be accepted for transmission by these services. Rates and all particulars are shown in the schedules exhibited at the Post Office. All letters etc. must be marked "By Air Mail" and be handed in at the Post Office.

HONG KONG GOVERNMENT
RADIO TELEGRAPH SERVICE

From the First day of December 1935 charges for telegrams will be collected at the rate of Dollar 0.55 to equal Gold Franc 1.00.

The Hong Government Radio Telegraph Service announces that from next Monday charges for telegrams will be collected at the rate of Dollar 1.05 to equal Gold Franc 1.00.

XLT Telegrams conveying Christmas and New Year Greetings will be accepted by the Government Radio Office for transmission via Radio during the period from 14th December 1935 to 31st January 1936, both dates inclusive.

(a) The charge for telegrams to places in China will be based on ONE FOURTH of the ordinary rate and to other places on ONE THIRD of the ordinary rate.

(b) The minimum charge for all places will be for ten words. Further particulars may be obtained on application to the Radio Office.

INWARD MAILS.

FROM EUROPE

Dec.

FROM SHANGHAI

Dec.

Nalders 21
Potsdam 21
Pres. Grant 21
Pres. Doumer 21

FROM STRAITS & INDIA

Dec.

Hosang 29
Lycaon 21
Yamkuni Maru 21
Titan 21
Cremor 21

FROM U.S.A.

Dec.

Pres. Grant 27

FROM MANILA

Dec.

Emp. Of Japan 27
Pres. Hoover 27

FROM JAPAN

Dec.

Asaka Maru 27
Nalders 27
Pres. Grant 27
Toyama Maru 27
Nagato Maru 28
Ginza Maru 30
Nankin 30

OUTWARD MAILS.

FOR EUROPE

Dec.

Nalders (via Marseilles) 27
Closes: Reg. 9.45 a.m.
Ord. 10.30 a.m.
Pres. Hoover (via Francisco) 27
Closes: Reg. 9.15 a.m. Ord. 10 a.m.
Pres. Doumer (via Orient Service) 30
Closes: Reg. 9 a.m.
Ord. 9.30 a.m.
Agamemnon (via Marseilles) 31

FOR STRAITS AND INDIA

Dec.

Nalders 27
Pres. Doumer 27
Agamemnon 31

FOR MANILA

Dec.

Pres. Grant 28

FOR U.S.A.

Dec.

Pres. Hoover 27

WOMEN'S PAGE



Sally Eilers is in "Alias Mary Dow," the Universal picture.

HOW FLEETING
YOUTH MAY
BE PRESERVEDStraight Talk To
Women

GOOD SKIN FOOD

"Let us put salt on its tail and keep it," laugh the children, eyeing the bright-winged bird. "Tell us where we may find it," ask the older ones, seeking the bluebird of happiness.

"And how shall we tempt it to stay?" ask those of middle-age, speaking of their fleeting youth.

Always reaching for that which may vanish. Alike in their eagerness to capture the fugitive. The children so confident.

The grown-ups diffident, and a little fearful. Fearful that youth will escape before they can stop it. Sad, because while age is creeping into their faces, youth is still fluttering its wings in their hearts.

Unfriendly Wrinkles

"I still feel young," says the older woman. "Can I still look it?"

Yes, but not by grousing about it. That never did anything but pull the face down and make lines.

Laugh and your face laughs with you, is a good and useful variation of the old proverb. Moreover, it is a true one.

Any wrinkles that may be caused by so doing are kindly and becoming. It is the deeper and more unfriendly ones that age. These should be tackled in plenty of time.

Good Skin Food

A good skin food liberally applied at night, and again in the morning, will do much towards erasing them.

Muscle oil, too, is useful for nourishing and tightening at the same time. Pat it in gently with the tips of the fingers, especially round the eyes. If you are treating nose-to-mouth lines, blow as you pat.

Toning is as necessary as nourishing for the older woman, if the contours are to be preserved. After removing the cream in the morning, pat well with an upward movement.

Use a tonic for the face, and an astringent, which is stronger, under the chin and along the jaw. Done regularly, this simple treatment should be sufficient to keep the skin in good condition.



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Tiny blue leaf print in this old-fashioned cholla lends colour to the formal two-piece gown which Glenda Farrell, screen star, is wearing. The skirt has full length set-in ruffles and the boxed hip-length jacket is jauntily trimmed with blue velvet collar, cuffs and belt.

AN "ALL-BLACK"
WEDDINGDress, Coat And
Halo Hat

NEW VOGUE AT ST. JAMES'S

A bride-dressed completely in black has been married recently at St. James's Church, Piccadilly, famous for society wedding.

Her dress was black tulle satin, her three-quarter-length coat was black velvet and her halo-hat was also black velvet.

Her one bridesmaid wore a love-in-the-mist blue silk dress. No reason for the all-black bridal ensemble was given.

At The Table
Black has also made its appearance as a table-cloth colour.

At a dinner at Nine Ball, held in aid of a London children's hospital, the guests, seated at tables covered with black velvet overlaid with gold net cloths.

After the dinner, every woman guest was given a piece of British glass or china as a souvenir.

And In Hats
In hats, too, black is in favour. Black satin, felt, fur-fabric—and, smartest of all, antelope skin dyed black—make the latest creations.



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TINY SILVER COFFINS

"Death" charms are being eagerly sought by smart women in Paris.

These include:—
Tiny silver coffins lined with white satin, miniature guillotine, made of platinum, glibbets, and charms showing the Devil jumping out of a box.

There seems no limit to the invention of jewellers or to the number of charms and bracelets worn by their customers in order not to be outdone by other women.

Some wear four or five bracelets—all clinking with several charms—on their wrists. Every day the cry is for something newer.

Other charms in vogue are scissors cutting the "ribbon of life" (made of enamel), a dagger, a frog climbing a ladder, and a policeman's baton in gold and ivory.

COMFORT KEYNOTE
OF COATSThe New 1936 Models
BUTTONS IMPORTANT

Comfort has set out to be the keynote and criterion for the every latest in coat modes, and the designers have decreed that the coat of winter, 1936, will be not only comfortable and all-enveloping but that it shall as well serve the manifold purposes of rain-cape and general coverall.

Longer in the main than in past seasons, this year's coats will terminate correctly a couple of inches below the average street frock, or, as dressmakers the world over are wont to say, they will be "the width of a hand" longer than the dress over which they are worn.

Form Fitting Curves

Pinched in at the waist to give them that form-fitting curve so much in demand this season, they will be subtly moulded with darts and tucks, or they will be held in with wide draped belts of self material or soft leather, which fasten with enormous buckles.

Buttons are as important as they have ever been. Round or square, and sometimes wafer-thin, they are made to go with buckles in a metal or in precious wood and are carved into quaint ornaments with a uniquely personal allure that can be both quaint and charming. Often buttons are found in a leather to resemble the box calf, pigskin, or alligator of the belt, although this type is more favoured for sports than for dress.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

RUST RASP SCARE
ASIA AIR TOTUS
GIANT SAIL MOST
EGG PISTAREN
SE SOOS CENTERS
TETSECE SHEDS AT
NAT OCCOS ATE
LAIR MEERS GISP
APE GAGLS PAC
NE PLEHS SATCEN
EXFOTRS DLECE
RELATLONCE RAY
ADAM COIN ROBE
SILES ROSE CALL
PICNS SINGO ALCE

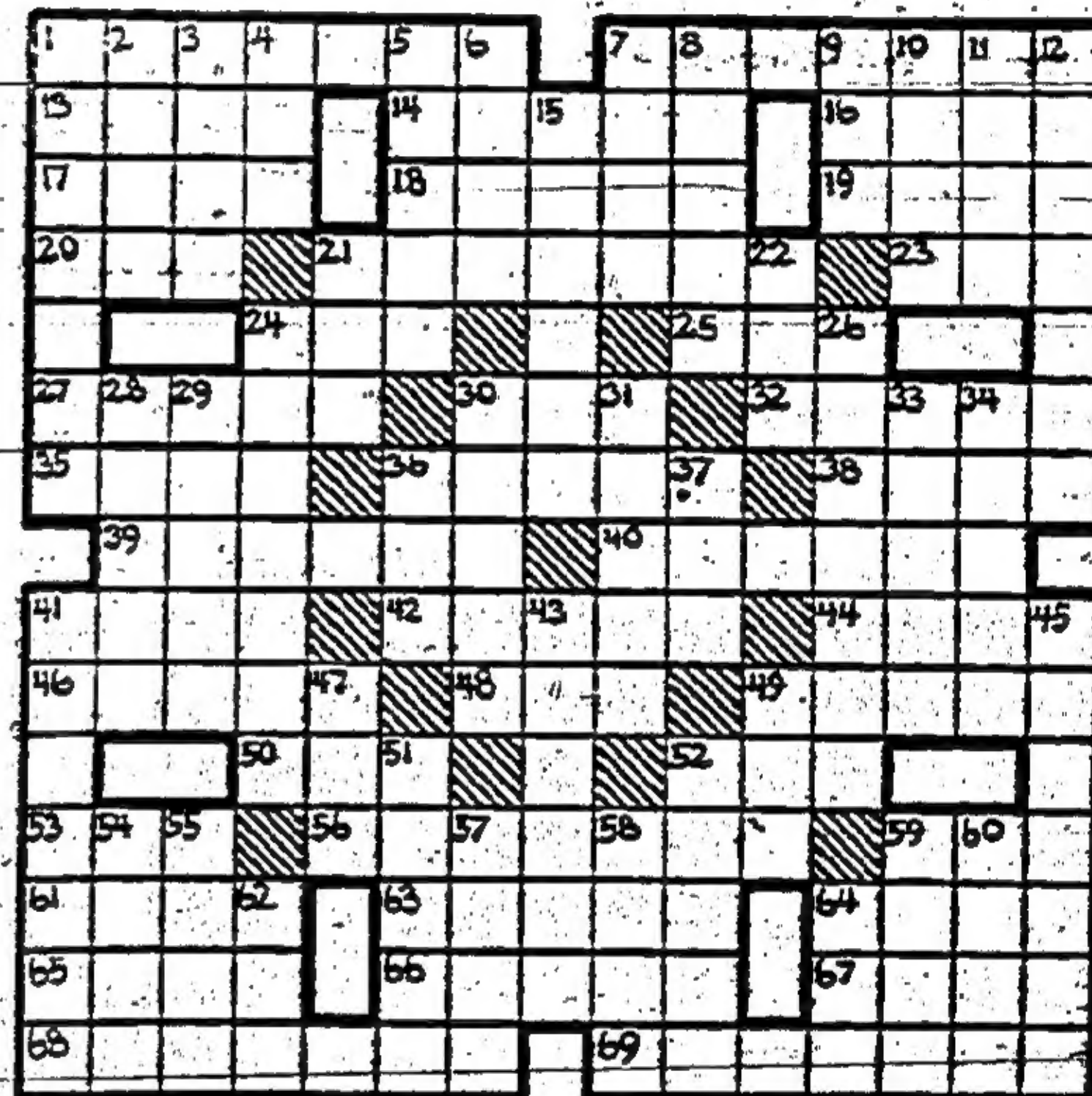
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL
1-Soils
7-Clocks
13-Grass goddess
14-Loads
15-Military assistant
17-Ends
18-Titled up
19-Preceding (abbr.)
20-Insurance (abbr.)
21-Crowned
22-Prefix. Upward
24-Fish eggs
25-Wagon track
27-Relieves
28-Derivative (abbr.)
32-Extra
33-Extend over
35-Buffalo
36-Greek god of love
39-City thoroughfare
40-Condemned
41-In a line
42-Stairway
43-Units
45-Cover scattering
46-Japanese coin
49-Ironed
50-That (Gen.)

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
52-Money (Rom. Anlig.)
53-Fairy
55-Lands
56-Bone of the body
57-Actor's part
58-English novelist
59-Grass
60-Large plant
61-Girl's name
62-A bearing (Her.)
63-Prophetess
65-Imbued thoroughly

VERTICAL
1-Happens
2-Ireland
3-Saga
4-An animal
5-Loud brazen noise
6-Satire
7-Thaw
8-A sower
9-Strike lightly
10-Silver coin of Italy
11-Paradise
12-Period of time (pl.)

VERTICAL (Cont.)
15-Food-messia
21-Kind of lettuce
22-Excavated
24-Reclaimed
26-Tremblings
28-Auslander
29-Flavor
30-Eats sparingly
31-A French sculptor
33-Girl's name
34-Knots
35-Public vehicle
37-Likewise not
41-Affirms
43-Ant. antenna
45-Created
47-Conflict
48-Foot-like organ
51-Withers
52-In regard to
54-Wisdom
55-Escape
57-Jellies
58-Lyric poems
59-Musical instrument
60-Island (Poet.)
62-Ever (Contr.)

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in tomorrow's issue.

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Signal Station	1,774
Mt. Parker	1,734
Mountain Lodge	1,725
The Eyrle	1,725
Peak Hotel	1,305
Taikoo Sanatorium	1,000
Mt. Davis	877
Bowen Road (filterbeds)	297
MAINLAND		Feet
Taimoshan	2,124
Kowloon Peak	1,971

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The Chapter on the Kuomintang covers the political history of China in 1934. The Chapter on the Chinese Government contains the Text of the Provisional Constitution, the Organic Law, and the Draft of the Permanent Constitution.

The Chapter on International Issues gives the text of the Agreement and Exchange of Notes of the sale of the Chinese Eastern Railway, besides the latest documents relating to Sino-Japanese issues.

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Father D'Elia, in the Chapter on Religions, contributes an interesting Chronological Review of Catholic Missions in China. Mr. E. Kam is again responsible for the Chapter on Currency and Banking, and the Loan Tables.

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REVERSING OLD MAXIMS

By Ely Culbertson

The old Whist maxim "lead through strength and up to weakness" is notoriously a poor guide in defensive play at Contract Bridge. While it has a limited application to those situations in which any lead is a wild leap in the dark—the exceptions are so numerous that the rule could, with equal profit, be stated: "lead through weakness and up to strength." The additional information available to the defender at Contract Bridge as against Whist often enables exact analysis to turn the old maxim topsy-turvy.

One of the most spectacular examples that I have ever seen in recent months was executed by Geoffrey Mott-Smith, who sat East in the following deal:

North, dealer
Both sides vulnerable
NORTH—
S—A K 10 7 6 3
H—
D—Q J 6 3
C—A Q 10
WEST—
S—Q J 9 4
H—Q 5 3
D—10 9 5
C—K 8 4

EAST—
S—8 2
H—5 7 6 2
D—A K 7
C—J 9 7 6
SOUTH—
S—5
H—A K J 10 9 4
D—8 4 2
C—8 3 2

North opened the bidding with one spade and, with no adverse bidding, South speedily arrived at a contract of four hearts.

West opened the ten of diamonds. North played the Jack, and East won with the King.

East had no way of knowing whether the opening lead had been from a short or a long suit. Since the bidding had marked most of the strength outside the heart suit in the North hand, West would have opened the diamond ten from a long suit headed by the ten-nine rather than lead the fourth best. East decided that to continue the diamonds in the hope that West had opened a doubleton would be far too risky.

The long spade suit in dummy, accompanied by at least two club re-entries, called for an active rather than a passive defence. Unless West could win two trump tricks it would be necessary to take active measures to counteract the obvious plan of establishing the spade suit with the assistance of ruffing. While the easy trump lead up to weakness was very inviting, East decided that such passive play would be equivalent to resignation. The only real hope lay in attacking the club entries promptly. East therefore returned the six of clubs.

It should be noted that, spectacular as is this lead, East really risks nothing. If South holds the King the defenders probably can never win a club trick anyhow. If West holds the club King, nothing is lost by East's club lead—on the contrary, the defenders are one step nearer to establishing the club Jack.

After East's club lead declarer could not make contract by any line of play. The North hand was now short one entry necessary to establish and make the spade suit. Declarer had to lose three tricks in the minor suits combined and a trump trick.

It is noteworthy that any simple exit by East at the second trick would allow declarer to make contract.

On a trump lead, for example, South will step in with the Ace; he will then lead a spade to dummy, cash the Ace-King discarding a diamond, ruff a spade, and then continue with two more rounds of trumps. West will capture the lead with the trump Queen, and can do no better than to return a club. North's Queen wins, and another spade ruff establishes the suit. South's last trump then pulls East's last trump, and the club Ace gives re-entry to the two long spades.

Nor can West do any damage to the South hand by attempting to force him with a diamond. It is true that after South has discarded a diamond on the second top spade West can later lead the nine of diamonds and South can be forced by a third round diamond.

HEROES BURIED IN ST. PAUL'S

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Dean Conducts Service.
The Dean of St. Paul's (who also was Bishop of Lincoln) conducted the rite, Garter King of Arms proclaimed Lord Nelson's style and titles, staves were broken and thrown into the grave, after which

"the ceremony of lowering the body commenced. This ceremony proceeded very slowly. It continued for about 10 minutes, and during that period the most solemn stillness prevailed. This was by far the most affecting part of the service."

Lord Collingwood was brought to St. Paul's five years later—Nelson's second in command at Trafalgar, where in the Royal Sovereign he led one of the British lines into action, and his most intimate naval friend. "Look at Collingwood—look at Collingwood!" Nelson frequently exclaimed to his officers—that day, with the enthusiasm he always displayed in battle.

Collingwood's Death.
Collingwood died on March 7, 1810, when two days out of Majorca, home-coming to England. So slow were communications that it was April 17 before the intelligence was known. Collingwood's simple, manly character wholly lacked the ostentation which was present in Nelson, and the differences were reflected at his funeral. A State burial was given, and 50 admirals and captains who had served under Collingwood escorted the coffin, but so quiet was the service that not even a choir was there to sing. He lies near by Nelson. This country had never seen so magnificent a State funeral of a subject as that of the Duke of Wellington on November 18, 1852. Young admirals and generals won fame a century ago. Nelson was 47 when his long course of victory closed with a glorious death. Napoleon's amazing career ended at Waterloo when he was but 45; Wellington was himself five months older.

New Generation.
But Wellington, unlike his great contemporaries, lived 37 years after his victory. All was changed when he, too, was brought to St. Paul's; a new generation was born; the age of steam had arrived. Lord Palmerston told at the time how immense was his influence.

Old as he was, both bodily and mentally enfeebled by age, he still is a great loss to the country. His name was a tower of strength above all opinions and counsel were valuable at home. No man ever lived or died in the possession of more unanimous love, respect and esteem from his countrymen. Funerals had greater pomp and spectacle than is considered good taste to-day. But it is quite a mistake to imagine that they were as well managed. While Wellington lay in state at the Royal Hospital, Chelsea, several persons died from the crush when attempting to get in. At the burial in St. Paul's secular and ecclesiastical authority clashed.

No police or soldiers were present to guide or control as the first of the congregation surged in. Bewildered among corridors and staircases, one crowd fought its way forward as another struggled as fiercely to return. There was no one to give information, and people drove blindly on, then in many cases as blindly back again.

For the solemnity St. Paul's had been transformed. Deep galleries were built in timber over the west door and in the transepts. The space under the dome was surrounded by an amphitheatre, where ranges of seats rose from the floor to a considerable height, save where a clearance was left to nave and choir. It was thought that Wren's Cathedral accommodated that day from 12,000 to 15,000 people.

Comrades in Arms.
A circle of naked gas jets around the Whispering Gallery feebly contested supremacy with the natural light.

Pride of place among the military was given to surviving companions in arms of the Duke—some portly old gentlemen, others apparently weak and feeble, but (Continued at Foot of Next Col.)

But he can accept this force cheerfully as it establishes a long diamond in dummy for the discard of the losing club, and still leaves him with enough trumps to exhaust East.

"BUTTER RUNNING" IN GERMANY SMUGGLING RACKET PROFITABLE

Berlin.—"Butter running" has become Germany's latest racket the shortage of butter here having made this form of smuggling as profitable as tobacco or coffee. Numbers of "butter-runners" are now appearing before the courts of German frontier towns.

Eight persons have already been charged and four sentenced to six months' imprisonment and heavy fines by the Kreuzburg Court (near the Polish frontier) for smuggling 6,000 lb. of butter from Poland—thus doing "grave harm to home producers," says the Voelkischer Beobachter.

According to frontier regulations, even tourists are not allowed to bring butter with them. It may only be imported by quota.

REUTER.

A MILLION FOR ALEXANDRIA'S NEW HARBOUR

New Quays To Be Constructed

RELIEVING CONGESTION

Alexandria.—A credit of \$1,000,000 has been granted to the Ministry of Communications for the construction of new quays in Alexandria harbor.

Sir Cyril Kirkpatrick, the distinguished British engineer, who is acting as technical adviser to the Government, is expected shortly in Alexandria and work will begin as soon as he arrives.

The construction of the new quays is part of a five-year plan for the general enlargement of the harbour, entailing the expenditure of nearly \$4,000,000.

At present there is much congestion in the harbour, for with the increase of shipping many vessels are unable to go to the docks.

Sir Cyril Kirkpatrick has had wide experience in dock engineering. He has also been responsible for such important contracts as the King Edward VII bridge over the Tyne and the bridge over the Severn at Shrewsbury.—REUTER.

ROOSEVELT NOT ARTIFICIAL

Thanks Valet For Kindnesses

Atlanta, Georgia.—Irvin Henry McDuffie, valet to President Roosevelt, had the following to say about his employer when he returned here for a visit with his family:—

"There's nothing artificial about Mr. Roosevelt's smile. It is not a cultivated smile. He is cultured—a fine character. Whenever I go out of my way to do little things for him he says, 'That's nice of you, thank you.'—REUTER.

MAN RUNS OVER HIMSELF

Dual Personality Charge?

Baltimore.—Joseph Hanzlik is convinced that the police suspect him of dual personality. His car ran over him, and he is charged with reckless driving.

The 52-year-old man cranked his car one morning while it was in gear. It started forward, ran him over, and crashed into the steps of a house.

After being charged, Mr. Hanzlik was removed to hospital suffering from an injured hip.—REUTER.

HERE AND THERE

Travelling Shoulder Blade

Pocatiello, Idaho.—E. W. Brown, of Los Angeles, injured so hard that his shoulder blade was forced out of place.

He was taken to hospital and placed on the operating table. A nurse prepared to administer ether. A whiff of it tickled Brown's nose. He sneezed hard again and the shoulder blade snapped back into place.—REUTER.

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station, Z.B.W., on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 K.C.'s).

FRIDAY—RADIO

"The More We Are Together" from Davenry.

Jazz Piano Recital.
12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Programme.

12.30 p.m.—Recorded Music.
1 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.

1.15 p.m.—Hong Kong Hotel Orch.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press Bulletin, Rugby Press News, etc.

2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
4-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.

7-11 p.m.—European Programme.
7.30 p.m.—Light Opera and Musical Comedy.

Selection—The Merry Widow (Lehar)
Vocal Gens.—The Student Prince (Bombing)

Selection—Glimmering Night (Novello)
Vocal Gens.—The Chocolate Soldier (O. Strauss)

7.30-7.45 p.m.—Four Songs by Mlle. Lucienne Boyer. (Soprano).

1. Visions in Smoke (Bos).
2. Speak to me of love (Lemoir)

3. Sans Toi—Tango Chante (Scott)
4. Si Petite (Clarke)

7.45-7.50 p.m.—"Six-Hit Medley"
7.50-8 p.m.—Close Down.

"Book Reviews" by Sabrina.
8 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report; Closing Local Stock Quotations.

8.05-8.15 p.m.—Tight Symphony Orchestra.

1. Homeage March (Haydn Wood)
2. Joyousness—Concert Waltz (Haydn Wood)

8.15-9.15 p.m.—A Relay from Davenry.

"The More we are together". An Empire Christmas Party of Old Friends.

9.15-9.35 p.m.—A Relay of the Davenry News Bulletin (Copyright by Reuter).

9.35-10 p.m.—Variety Items.
Violin Solo—Always

Albert Sandler.
Song—Lovely to Look at

Irma Dunn (Soprano)
Organ Solo—Nola

Sydney Gustard.
Songs—

Red Sails in the Sunset
Roll along Prairie Moon

Al Bowly.
Band—The Whistler and his Dog

Vocal—
AR because of you

Let's All Go Ballyhoos
Browning and Star

10 p.m.—Big Ben: Reuter Press Bulletin.

10.10-10.30 p.m.—From the Studio.
A Jazz Piano Recital by Bill Cameron

10.30-11 p.m.—Latest Dance Hits.
For Trot—

Squibs.
Did you ever have a feeling you're flying?

Song of the "Cello"
"Please Teacher"

You give me ideas
"Please Teacher"

Rhythm in a Great Big Way
My Young Man's Ever so nice

Kickety's Son and Daughter.
My very good friend, the Milkman

Tango—
Serenade by the Sea

Waltz—
When you're only Seventeen

11 p.m.—Close Down.

HAMPTON COURT "ROUNDABOUT"

Mr. Hore-Bellish, Minister of Transport, has given notice that he proposes to establish a traffic roundabout at Hampton Court Green.



Actions And Re-Actions.

There may be unpleasant results if you take some things, as the bumper in the picture is about to find, out. But there are no disagreeable reactions from the taking of Pinkettes; as gently as nature they dispel constipation, correct irregularities, banish biliousness and sick-headaches, purify bad breath.

Have you never tried Pinkettes? Then you don't know yet what laxative perfection is. Try them tonight. If you are troubled with slow digestion, indigestion, liver, biliousness, hiccups, and you will feel 100% better and brighter in the morning. Chemists everywhere sell.

PINKETTES
THE GENTLE LITTLE
LAXATIVE WITH SWEET FLAVOUR



Sporting Page



CLUB FIELDING FORMIDABLE SIDE AGAINST SOUTH CHINA "B"



Cheng Shai-hong, above, is the mainstay of Eastern's team, and much will depend upon his generalship against South China "B" in their Junior Shield replay to-morrow.

GOOD SOCCER FARE IN STORE FOR SUNDAY

Champions To Meet Athletic Again

POLICE SHOULD TAKE POINTS OFF NAVY

Three excellent First Division soccer encounters will feature Sunday's football programme, the outstanding feature of which will be the return encounter between South China "A", the League champions, and the Chinese Athletic. These two teams met recently in the Senior Shield and the former won a thrilling game by 4 goals to 1.

The Athletic have had the misfortune to lose several players this season and have so been content with team building in preparation for next season. They have already acquired a reputation, and Sunday's clash should provide the best soccer of the day.

The Navy will have the services of the Dorsetshire, Kent and other ships in port and should be able to field a formidable side against the guardians of the law, but one can never tell what will happen in between holidays.

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SECOND DIVISION TEAMS

The following are the Second Division soccer teams for the week-end:

Athletic:—L. Kwok-ki, Kwok Ping-chung, Lo Wai-man, Wong Wing-nin, Lee Yan-ki, Yip Tak-sung, Lee Wah-sin, Chi Che-fun, Chan Chung-yin, Chan Yin-chung and Chung Moon-chung.

East Lanes:—Williams, Harwood, Ball, Waldeen, Carroll, Thorpe, McLeaver, Scullion, O'Donnell, Crook and Talley.

Engineers:—Solbeck, Slack, Wilford, Coleman, Hurst, Dewell, Caldwell, Boyling, Derby, Howlett and Cragg.

South China:—Wong Wah-kat, Yuen Chi-chung, Tang Chung-pak, Sin Kit-man, Ho Chi-wing, A. N. Other, Ip Yim-po, Lee Tin-sun, Ip Koon-ming, Li Wing-on and Wong King-chung.

East Lanes:—Harmsworth, Swain, Steele, Smith, Lawton, Ekersley, Malher, Sandford, German, Bidings and Griffin.

Fusiliers:—Rowlands, Wheeler, Keatinge, Wanklyn, Talbot, Tucker, Hughes, Harrison, Cockley, Evans and Roberts.

St. Joseph's:—B. Souza, L. Souza, V. Costa, Woo, Sinclair, Elms, Victor, Ward, Leonard, Hussain and Fernandez.

Athletic:—Sui Tin-lan, Mak Siu-tan, Fu Ka-hing, Wong Wing-hong, Lai Kwok-chun, Chan Hing-wong, Tang Kwong-sun, Yung Kan-po, Au Ping-ming, Chow Man-chi and Wong Chi-man.

St. Joseph's:—R. Marques, A. V. Gossano and J. Bowen; N. Delgado, N. Beltrao and V. Marques; J. Castilho, B. Gossano, R. Marques, J. Gomes and A. A. Alves.

South China "A":—Wong Wing-nin, Lee Tin-sun, and Tan Kong-pak; Wong Wing-chi, Wong Man-chung, and Lee Kwok-wai; Two Kwai-shing, Pong King-chung, Lee Wai-tung, Ip Pak-on and Chan Kwai-sung.

WELSH FORWARDS DISAPPOINT

REFUSAL TO SHOOT GIVES PORTUGAL THE GAME

BELTRAO HOLDS COAKLEY

(By "Rover")

PORTUGAL continued in winning vein yesterday when they defeated Wales in the semi-final round of the "Sunday Herald" International Charity Football Cup by the odd goal in three, after a close and exciting tussle.

Wales, represented by the Fusiliers' First Division side, must blame themselves for losing this game. They enjoyed more of the game through direct and forceful methods, yet the forwards failed miserably in front of goal, throwing chance after chance away by deliberately dilly-dallying instead of shooting.

There was little outstanding in the match, the football being scrappy generally, with the most stylish play coming from the Portuguese, and it was only by quick and hard tackling by the Welsh backs and halves that the many delightful moves carried out by the Portuguese forwards were frustrated.

Ward and Gomes were conspicuous in Portugal's attack, and were well-aided by two quick-moving wingmen in Castilho and Alves. The former was given far too much room by Tucker, and full advantage was taken of this by the many passes sent out to him.

Bertie Gossano was a handful to hold, and bussed his way through effectively many times. His goal, obtained in the first minute of the game, was a fine effort.

The Portuguese halves backed up well, and were equally as good in defence. Beltrao showed speed and enterprise in his distribution, and clearly had the measure of Coakley, whilst the rearward, A. V. Gossano and Costa, were prominent in a greatly harassed defence with their powerful clearances and sound tackling.

Talbot Sixth Forward

For Wales, Wheeler, Keatinge and Talbot were outstandingly good, and the Portuguese had very few chances against the resolute tactics adopted by these players.

Talbot was literally a sixth forward, so well did he back up the repeated attacks launched by the Welshmen, and the cool manner in which he drew opponents out of position before parting with the ball gave Wales unlimited chances.

Wanklyn and Tucker were energetic halves, the former holding the Portuguese left-wing in capable manner, but Tucker was too apt to stray into the centre, invariably leaving his wingman unmarked.

Perry was the most alert forward on view for Wales, and made good use of all the opportunities he received. The remaining forwards showed but glimpses of their normal form, slowness and a marked refusal to shoot, even from well placed positions, characterising their play throughout.

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FIRST DIVISION TEAMS

The following are the First Division soccer teams for the week-end:

Club:—Rodger, Hill, Strange, Railton, Farrow, Skinner, Fowler, Drown, Elliott, E. Strange and Bickford.

East Lanes:—Harmsworth, Swain, Steele, Smith, Lawton, Ekersley, Malher, Sandford, German, Bidings and Griffin.

Fusiliers:—Rowlands, Wheeler, Keatinge, Wanklyn, Talbot, Tucker, Hughes, Harrison, Cockley, Evans and Roberts.

St. Joseph's:—B. Souza, L. Souza, V. Costa, Woo, Sinclair, Elms, Victor, Ward, Leonard, Hussain and Fernandez.

Athletic:—Sui Tin-lan, Mak Siu-tan, Fu Ka-hing, Wong Wing-hong, Lai Kwok-chun, Chan Hing-wong, Tang Kwong-sun, Yung Kan-po, Au Ping-ming, Chow Man-chi and Wong Chi-man.

St. Joseph's:—R. Marques, A. V. Gossano and J. Bowen; N. Delgado, N. Beltrao and V. Marques; J. Castilho, B. Gossano, R. Marques, J. Gomes and A. A. Alves.

South China "A":—Wong Wing-nin, Lee Tin-sun, and Tan Kong-pak; Wong Wing-chi, Wong Man-chung, and Lee Kwok-wai; Two Kwai-shing, Pong King-chung, Lee Wai-tung, Ip Pak-on and Chan Kwai-sung.



The Portuguese soccer team, above, entered the Final of the Sunday Herald International Charity Football Cup yesterday when they beat Wales by the odd goal in three. ("China Mail" photo).

ROVER'S FORECAST

The following is the forecast for the week-end fixtures, giving the favoured team in capital letters—

TO-MORROW
SENIOR SHIELD (REPLAY)
RECREIO v St. Joseph's (Kowloon, 4.00 p.m.)

FIRST DIVISION
S. China "B" v CLUB (Caroline Hill, 4.00 p.m.)
ARTILLERY v ARTILLERY (Sookmupoo, 4.00 p.m.)
(Lyemun) v (Stonecutters)

SECOND DIVISION
East Lanes v CLUB (Sookmupoo, 2.30 p.m.)
LINCOLNS v Athletic (Prince Edward Road, 2.30 p.m.)
University v NAVY (Causeway Bay, 2.30 p.m.)

Kowloon v RECREIO (Kowloon, 2.30 p.m.)

THIRD DIVISION
LIGA v PTGUESA v Joseph's (Railway, 2.30 p.m.)
AIR FORCE v Medicals (Railway, 4.00 p.m.)
POLICE (C.) v LINCOLNS (King's Park, 2.30 p.m.)

SUNDAY
JUNIOR SHIELD (Replay)
South China v EASTERN (Sookmupoo, 2.30 p.m.)

FIRST DIVISION
POLICE v Navy (Kowloon, 4.00 p.m.)
S. CHINA "A" v Athletic (Caroline Hill, 4.00 p.m.)
East Lanes v FUSILIERS (Sookmupoo, 4.00 p.m.)

SECOND DIVISION
R.A.O.C. v ENGINEERS (Military ground, 2.30 p.m.)

THIRD DIVISION
FUSILIERS v East Lanes (Chatham Road, 4.00 p.m.)
POLICE (C.) v Engineers (Kowloon, 2.30 p.m.)

THIRD DIVISION TEAMS

The following are the Third Division soccer teams for the week-end:

Railway:—Leung Kam, Ip Shing-ming, Wong Min-hin, Cheung Chuen, Tsang Lam, Li Hung-chung, Lau Cheong, Cheung, Chung-hong, Fung Chee, Leung, Kan and Sung Chan.

Chinese Police:—Chan Wai-lam, Min Sin-ki, Wong On, Wu Po, Wing So-luk, Kan Kwai-soi, Wong Man-wai, Chan Chin, Li Kam, Chan Wing-kam and Kong Hing.

Liga:—A. Quinn, Gomes, Gaan, G. Souza, H. Remedios, M. Ribeiro, G. Lawrence, J. Santos, H. Souza, C. Santos and J. Remedios.

St. Joseph's:—Burr, R. Aycock and Castor; Romagosa, W. Aycock and Sprinkle; Alwai, Delgado, Joasilho, Rocha and Thirwell.

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ENTERTAINING JUNIOR LEAGUE SOCCER CARD

SHIELD REPLAY IS BIG FEATURE

Club Fielding Good Side

The outstanding football game in the Second Division this week-end will be the Junior Shield replay between Eastern and South China, at Sookmupoo.

The Eastern were somewhat lucky in forcing a draw after extra time but with Chen Shai-hong and Sabhan now showing improved form Eastern should enter the Second Round.

South China are fielding the same team and are confident of victory as several members of their team had not played together before and were brought into debut for Chan Tak-fai, Ng Po-ku and Yue Wah-hing, who were not to play under the new ruling.

Interesting Clash

The clash between the Club and the East Lanes should be very interesting.



J. Tavares, above, one of the Club's most successful forwards, is making his first year's appearance in local soccer.

Interesting. Stirling will be in goal and will be supported by in front Stoker and Sykes, a good pair of backs.

In the intermediate line Gilchrist is staging a comeback in the centre-half berth, and, on his display on Christmas Day, should have no difficulty in holding the East Lanes forwards. Milne and Nicholls will give him every help on the flanks.

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RAILTON INCLUDED AT RIGHT-HALF

CHINESE HOME RECORD STILL INTACT

FINE STRUGGLE PROMISED

DEFEATED by the odd goal in three by South China "A" over a month ago, the Club are all out to beat South China "B" in their First Division League soccer encounter to-morrow at Caroline Hill.

The Club are fielding the same team which trounced the East Lanes last Saturday in their Senior Shield replay, and, providing they can reproduce the same form, I can see nothing to prevent them from registering a win.

Against this is the fact that South China "B" have not yet been defeated, winning three of their six games played to date and sharing the spoils in the remainder.

They will probably reply upon the same team which eliminated the Lincolns in their Senior Shield replay last week. Lee Kam, who was included at left-back in support of Leung In-chun, gave a superb display, and in time should make the senior team.

Promising Wing-Half

Yan Wa-fing, another newcomer to the Chinese team at right-half, was also on form, and the manner in which he held the Baldry-Ridley partnership for the major portion of the game earned him a permanent position in the team.

Ng Po-ku, who displaced Ho Kar-kung, former Athletic leader, in the centre-forward berth, is a great opportunist, and Farrow will have his work cut out in "playing policeman" to this wily leader.

Hill and Strange have at long last fallen into their stride as a full-back partnership and, with George Rodger making his last season a memorable one, the South China "B" forwards are going to find their task of goal-scoring very much harder than last week.

Farrow has been transferred from one position to another, but has at last found his right position at centre-half.

Very Wise Move

Railton's inclusion in the first team is one of the wisest moves the Club have made, and his comeback into senior soccer is one of the pleasing features of the season.

Starting his soccer career somewhere in 1911, Railton has the enviable record of having represented the H.K.F.C. for over 20 years, on and off, and is still going strong!

On recent form the game should produce very fast football of "Cup-tie" standard.

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RECREIO AND ST. JOSEPH'S IN SHIELD REPLAY

EXCELLENT GAME PROMISED

"Recs" Favoured To Succeed

Soccer enthusiasts will probably be provided with one of the most evenly contested games of the season when the Recreio and St. Joseph's meet in the replay of their Senior Shield encounter. It will be recalled that when they met originally the Recreio were held to a goalless draw by St. Joseph's, who put up a surprisingly good show.

The teams for to-morrow's match will be the same as those that figured in the League last Saturday.

In A. V. Gossano and Joe Bowen, the Recreio have a very safe pair of backs, but they will do well not to take matters too lightly and to keep a particularly watchful eye on Albert Ward, the Saints' inside-right, and captain, who is a decidedly dangerous forward and who is running very strongly for an Interport cap.

Good Pair Of Backs

V. Costa, who partnered A. V. Gossano at full-back in the Portugal-Wales International encounter, will, with L. Souza, form the full-back combination for the Saints. They will have their work cut out in dealing with a forward line that includes such players as B. Gossano, J. Gomes and A. A. Alves.

In their last meeting both teams played very good football, but over-eagerness on the part of both sides spoiled many promising moves. They will do well to bear this in mind, especially the St. Joseph's forwards, who do not seem to be able to check their desire to take a shot at goal every time they get the ball, instead of passing to a more favourably placed colleague.

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ARTILLERY "DERBY" TO-MORROW

STONECUTTERS TO WIN?

The two Artillery teams, Stonecutters and Lyemun, who are occupying the bottom two places in the Senior League table, will meet to-morrow in their league fixture, and Stonecutters are favoured to win.

This is the first season that they have entered the League as two distinct units, and as a result they have not been very impressive, though both sides should be strengthened with the arrival of the troops with it is understood, over 200 men for the Artillery.

Since they first figured in League football, however, both Stonecutters and Lyemun have shown some improvement. Though the latter have yet to record their first win after 10 games, Stonecutters have managed to win once and draw once in 12 games, and the chances are that they will register their second win of the season to-day.

Stonecutters (Fusiliers):—Burr, R. Aycock and Castor; Romagosa, W. Aycock and Sprinkle; Alwai, Delgado, Joasilho, Rocha and Thirwell.

Lyemun (Fusiliers):—Rowlands, Wheeler, Keatinge, Wanklyn, Talbot, Tucker, Hughes, Harrison, Cockley, Evans and Roberts.

St. Joseph's:—B. Souza, L. Souza, V. Costa, Woo, Sinclair, Elms, Victor, Ward, Leonard, Hussain and Fernandez.

Athletic:—Sui Tin-lan, Mak Siu-tan, Fu Ka-hing, Wong Wing-hong, Lai Kwok-chun, Chan Hing-wong, Tang Kwong-sun, Yung Kan-po, Au Ping-ming, Chow Man-chi and Wong Chi-man.

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Singleton Heads League Marksmen

The following is a complete list of goal-scorers in the First, Second and Third Divisions of the local Soccer League with a qualifying figure of five goals:

FIRST DIVISION	
Higgins (Lincolns)	14
Lee Wai-tung (S. China "A")	14
Elliott (Club)	12
Stevens (Police)	12
Sandford (East Lanes)	12
Sullivan (Fusiliers)	12
Johnson (Police)	12
Pung King-chung (S. China "A")	12
Baldry (Lincolns)	12
Moss (Police)	12
D. Jones (Kowloon)	12
G. White (Kowloon)	12
Bidley (Lincolns)	12
Kwong (Lyemun)	12
Farrow (Club)	12

SECOND DIVISION	
Burner (Fusiliers)	12
Chan Tak-fai (South China)	12
Bettors (Lincolns)	12
Evans (Police)	12
Howlett (East Lanes)	12
Cookley (Fusiliers)	12
Duffell (R.A.O.C. & E.A.S.C.)	12
Hunter (East Lanes)	12
Croft (Club)	12
A. M. Omer (Radio)	12
Derby (Engineers)	12
Barker (East Lanes)	12
Tarant (Lincolns)	12
Walden (East Lanes)	12

THIRD DIVISION	
Spencer (Navy)	12
C. Santos (Lyemun)	12
Talley (Fusiliers)	12
Joasilho (St. Joseph's)	12
William (European Police)	12
Rush (Lincolns)	12
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WELSH FORWARDS DISAPPOINT

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Goal Lead in First Minute

Portugal won the toss, and were a goal ahead in the first minute. Castillo and Ward made the opening by a swift move on the right, and Bertie Gosano gave Rowlands no chance with a hard ground drive.

At the opposite end, Coakley essayed a shot from 20 yards, and the ball missed the upright by inches. The Fusiliers then continued to press for long spells. Portugal's goal underwent a close shave when Marques slipped in saving from Parry, and during the ensuing melee on the goal-line Evans hooked the ball over his head, but Marques was back in position and cleared.

Rowlands then turned a fast drive by Castillo round the post, and with play quickly returning to Portugal's half, Coakley had a fine chance of equalising when he found himself clean through, but he unaccountably passed out to Roberts, who sent behind.

Harrison Hits Bar

Wales continued to press furiously for the equaliser, and a deft pass from Coakley to Harrison saw the latter's shot from 15 yards, entirely deceive Marques, but the ball struck the bar when a goal looked certain.

Marques saved a quick header by Parry well, and pushed a wonderful shot from Talbot over the bar in splendid style, and the interval arrived with Wales attacking hard but unable to score.

Fine Save By Marques

Evans took advantage of a weak clearance by "A.V." and sent in a low shot that Marques held, but after 12 minutes Wales obtained the equalising goal through Harrison. A clever move between Talbot, Roberts, and Evans caught Portugal's defence out of position, and the final pass to Harrison saw him beat Marques with a hard shot by Evans.

A misunderstanding between Rowlands and Wheeler almost ended disastrously for Wales, but Keating emerged from a desperate goalmouth scrimmage to clear in brilliant style.

After 26 minutes, during which Wales attacked continually and missed innumerable chances, Portugal again took the lead through Ward.

Bertie Gosano took a pass from

ENTERTAINING JUNIOR LEAGUE SOCCER CARD

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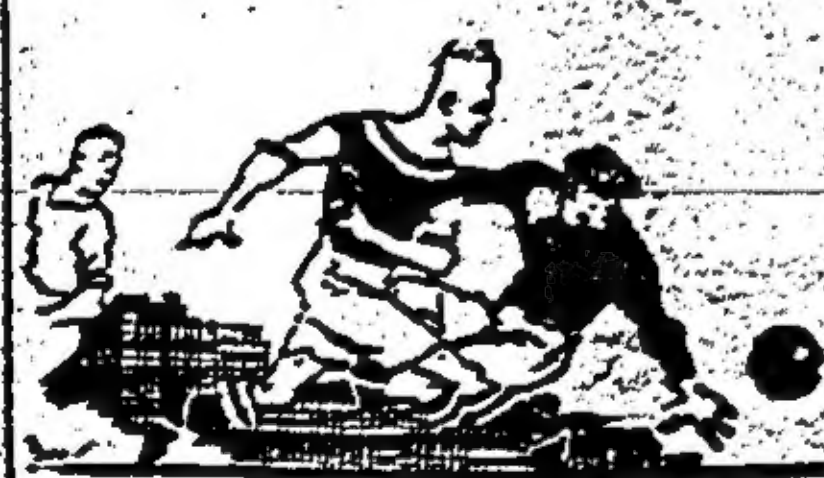
The forward line is very fast. Duncan and Bell, both of whom have played together, for some time, will form the left-wing combination, while the Fowler brothers, "GH" and "E" bring up on the right. Himsworth, who played well last week, will lead the attack.

The East Lanes are leading in the Second Division and will have to fight hard to retain their position.

Variety Must Improve

The University, after an absence of several weeks, did very well against Eastern last week, but will have to show better form if they hope to extend the Navy, Blake and Yong are their best forwards.

On Sunday the R.A.O.C. & R.A.S.C. will meet the Royal Engineers and, on the display they gave during the week, the Sappers should have no difficulty in winning.



Beltrao made a fast run goalwards, forcing Keating to concede a corner. The kick was accurately placed by Castillo, and Ward drove a low shot into the net with Rowlands unsighted.

Desperate Last-Minute Efforts. It was now Portugal's turn to attack, and twice Wanklyn blocked shots in the goal area that looked goal-scoring efforts all the way.

Throwing everything into a last effort, Wales stormed the Portuguese goal, and from a centre by Parry, Roberts sent in a low drive that went inches from the wrong side of the post.

Portugal will now meet China in the Final, but they will have to improve their play greatly if they are to reverse last season's result.

Portugal—E. Marques, A. V. Gosano, Costa, Delgado, Beltrao, Elmas, Castillo, Ward, R. Gosano, Gomes and Alves.

Wales—Rowlands, Wheeler, Keating, Wanklyn, Talbot, Tucker, Parry, Harrison, Coakley, Evans and Roberts.

ELVIN IN TWO CENTURY PARTNERSHIPS NON-STOP FIGHTER BEATEN AT LAST FREDDIE MILLER LOSES NON-TITULAR BOUT

HIS AMAZING RECORD

(By "Fair Field")

London, November 22.

I SEE that Freddie Miller, the American holder of the world's feather-weight championship, was outpointed in a non-title bout in Pittsburgh. The great little fighter was beaten by Norman Quales over 10 rounds.

It is not surprising to see Miller fail to get the decision. After all, he has been engaged in a non-stop fighting programme ever since he won his championship about three years ago. He must slip now and again.

Last year, Miller came to England with a record of one fight a fortnight. Here, he proceeded to go into contests at the rate of one a week—more, he never had a decision given against him.

When he put up his world's title against Nel Tarleton, he received over £2,000. Mainly, however, his other contests yielded only three-figure purses. Miller did not mind. He just went on amassing money whenever and however he could.

Business Man Boxer

Miller is very definitely the boxing business man. He is in boxing to make money quickly, and, I gathered when I saw him here earlier in the year, that he was succeeding in his ambition. All his money, after training expenses, income-tax and the rest have been met, goes into annuities. He has bought one already; he paid for it in about three years instead of 13, thus saving himself about £500.

Miller's Daily Round

He never has a holiday, never gives up dieting or training, and never smokes or drinks. And he eats only two meals a day. With his eagerness for contests, it cannot be wondered that Miller meets with defeat here and there.

When the time does come, however, for him to hang up his gloves, the American will be able to retire with the comfortable knowledge that, unlike so many other champions, his future is assured.

WELL DESERVED HONOUR

New President Of Middlesex

DR. RUSSELL CARGILL'S APPOINTMENT

(By GEOFFREY SIMPSON)
I am glad to hear that Dr. J. A. Russell Cargill has been elected president of the Middlesex County Rugby Union.

No one has done more than he to encourage Middlesex in the county championship.

When Dr. Russell Cargill took on the team secretaryship after the war things were at such a low ebb that in order to raise a side for one match he had to send invitations to no fewer than sixty players. And then when the team took the field they were one short!

But Dr. Russell Cargill never despaired, and the reward for all his keenness and hard work came when Middlesex, under W. W. Wakefield, won the championship for the first and only time in their history.

The genial doctor, incidentally, originated the idea of the seven-a-side game in London, and as a result of the annual tournament at Twickenham thousands of pounds have been raised for charities.

AMERICA OBJECTS

The American Lawn Tennis Association is opposed to the German scheme to stage a lawn tennis tournament in connection with the 1936 Olympic Games. It is objected that "O.G.s." would clash with Wimbledon and the French Championships.



K.C.C. BATSMEN IN FORM

Navy Beaten By 2 Wickets

The Kowloon Cricket Club beat the Royal Navy in a friendly cricket match at King's Park yesterday by 2 wickets, the scores being—
Royal Navy—156 (Surge Lt. Daventry 52, Lt. Miers 37; A. E. Perry 3 for 7, S. V. Gittins 4 for 25).
K.C.C.—205 for 8 (F. S. W. Smith 51, A. T. Lay 42, N. A. E. Mackay 40; Tel. Tufnell 4 for 66).

CLOSE WIN FOR KOWLOON

George Lee In Good Bowling Form

On the Navy ground yesterday the Navy—second eleven lost to the Kowloon C. C. juniors by 8 runs in a friendly cricket match. K.C.C.—131 (B. Lay 23, F. E. Lawrence 26; O. S. Dawe 4 for 33).
Royal Navy—123 (E. R. A. Eaton 33, Mr. Birkett 20; G. Lee 5 for 26).

ANOTHER DRAWN MATCH

Married Men Score 145 Runs

The annual Married v. Single cricket fixture at the Craigewong Cricket Club was left drawn yesterday.
Married—145 (T. E. Yeoh 47, U. M. Omar 24; G. Lee 3 for 28).
Singles—112 for 8 (E. Zimmern 30, F. R. Zimmern 39, not out; U. M. Omar 4 for 32).

ANNUAL FIXTURE DRAWN

Electric Company Staff Match

The annual cricket fixture between the Home Staff and the Local Staff of the Hong Kong Electric Company was played on the Indian Recreation Club ground yesterday and resulted in a draw. Local Staff—172 (A. R. Minn 64, not out, T. Ali 52, retired, E. Thompson 3 for 30).
Home Staff—144 for 9 (W. E. Peers 41, J. F. Barren 41; T. Ali 3 for 23, A. K. Minn 2 for 18).

R.H. GRIFFITHS BACK IN COLONY

Scores Three Centuries While On Leave

WILL AGAIN PLAY RUGBY

R. H. Griffiths, the Colony Rugby Interporter and cricket all-rounder, has just returned from long leave and will soon be seen in action on the Bigger field. While on leave, Griffiths devoted most of his time to cricket, playing for various Clubs in Somerset and Devon, including the "Incogs." He scored three centuries. He played no Rugby, but intends to make up for it now. He represented Hong Kong against Shanghai in the Rugby Interport just prior to going on leave early this year.

GOOD SOCCER FAKE IN STORE FOR SUNDAY

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The Fusiliers, following their defeat against the champions, have dropped out of the running for the League championship, but they should encounter no difficulty in taking both points of the East Lanes.

ARMY DECLARE AT 277 FOR 7

GOOD ALL-ROUND PLAY BY DUCKITT

CLUB 170 IN ARREARS WITH 8 WICKETS IN HAND

(By "L. B. W.")

TWO century partnerships featured the two-day Triangular Tournament cricket match between the Hong Kong Cricket Club and the Army, which commenced on the Club ground yesterday and which will be continued on Saturday, starting at 1.30 p.m.

The Army batsmen were in excellent form, Lt. J. P. Williams and C. S. M. Elvin adding 106 for the first wicket, and after the former was out Elvin took part in another big partnership with Lt. E. M. Dawson.

The cricket, on the whole, was very bright, and as the result runs came very rapidly. Capt. D. W. Persse, who went in at the fall of the third wicket, made his 36 in very quick time in the course of which he hit one six and six boundaries. Elvin and Garthwaite each hit nine fours, while Dawson had a six and eight boundaries in his 67.

At 3.45 p.m. Capt. Welch, the Army skipper, applied the closure, and the Club opened innings with E. R. Duckitt and T. E. Pearce.

Duckitt, after losing Tam at 25, played pretty cricket, and E. Owen Hughes, who was making his first appearance here since his return from leave, also treated the spectators to some good cricket.

The wicket was inclined to be on the hard side, and some of the deliveries, especially those from Beck, were inclined to get up awkwardly.

Scores:
Army
C.S.M. Elvin, b Duckitt 75
Lieut. Williams, b Pearce 63
Lieut. Dawson, c T. E. Pearce, b Beck 57
Lieut. Garthwaite, c Owen Hughes, b Duckitt 11
Capt. Persse, not out 36
Lieut. Johnson, b Beck 8
Capt. Welch, c Kibbe, b Duckitt 12
Capt. Ballard, b Owen Hughes, not out 7
Extras 15
Total (for 7 wickets, 277)

Sgt. Daniels, Pte. Herbert and Pte. King did not bat.
Fall of the wickets:—1 (Williams) for 106; 2 (Dawson) for 209; 3 (Garthwaite) for 229; 4 (Elvin) for 225; 5 (Johnson) for 227; 6 (Welch) for 233; 7 (Ballard) for 277.

Bowling Analysis
O. M. R. W.
Beck 22 3 35 2
Owen Hughes 9 3 31 1
Pearce 21 7 59 1
Duckitt 5 8 14 6
Duckitt 11 2 60 3
McInnes 2 0 18 0
Hong Kong C.C.
T. E. Pearce, c Herbert, b Garthwaite 12
E. R. Duckitt, not out 45
T. A. Pearce, b Ballard 42
H. Owen Hughes, not out 7
Extras 15
Total (for 2 wickets) 197

A. W. Haywood, I. McInnes, L. D. Kibbe, A. C. Beck, G. A. Stewart, G. E. R. Duckitt and G. S. Dundley to bat.
Fall of the wickets:—1 (T. E. Pearce) for 25; 2 (T. A. Pearce) for 55.

Bowling Analysis
O. M. R. W.
Garthwaite 12 2 27 1
Ballard 11 3 36 1
Elvin 4 8 15 0
Pearce 4 8 15 0
King 1 0 4 0

SEA LARK V WINS
MACAO RACE

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Mr. E. Cock Repeats His Success

U. AND I. SECOND

Mr. E. Cock, at the helm of Sea Lark V, repeated his success of last year when he won the race to Macao, over a distance of 70 miles, from U. & I. (Mr. H. S. Rouse).

The yacht left Hong Kong yesterday morning and the first one in was U. & I., whose time was 15 hours 21 mins. 28 secs. The time taken by Mr. Cock's yacht was 14 hours 43 mins. and 21 secs., but she won on handicap. Typhoon (Sq. Leader Keary) was third.

DERBY APPOINT THEIR CHIEF SCOUT

Derby County have appointed Mr. Harold Wightman, former captain and centre-half, as their chief scout. Mr. Wightman resigned the management of Luton Town recently.

A SCOTLAND NEW ZEALAND RUGBY RECORD

Men Who Played For Against Scotland

FETTES SUPPLIED SIX BUT THIS YEAR

London, November 22.

At the invitation of the Scottish Rugby Union, the surviving members of the Scottish team who played in the first match against the All Blacks in 1905 will be present at to-morrow's international between Scotland and New Zealand at Murrayfield.

They will include two Scots who had that match made a record which is likely to stand for ever. In that same year of 1905 they had the unique experience of playing both against and for their country.

The first time was early in the year when, as a trial before the match against Wales, Scotland came to Fettes to play what many people think the best school side of all time.

Scotland won by fourteen points to six.

Boy Internationals

In the following annum two of the Fettes boys were chosen for Scotland against New Zealand. One was Moir Macdonnie, a powerful forward, who scored both the tries for Fettes against Scotland.

The other was the seventeen-year-old Kenneth McLeod, one of the greatest athletes of all time and the only Scottish schoolboy who ever won a cricket blue at Cambridge.

Sea Fettesians

Altogether there were six Fettesians in the Scottish side which so nearly won its match against the first All Blacks.

There is not one in to-morrow's Scottish team—a proof that Scottish schoolboys are not so hardy as they were, or else that "Rugby" is no longer the de-all and end-all of their existence.

OXFORD RALLY IN SECOND HALF

Light Blues' Surprising Soccer Defeat

London, December 11.

Oxford's victory by 3 goals to 1 over Cambridge in their annual inter-Varieties Association football match at Highbury to-day surprised the 1,000 spectators who turned out to witness the fixture.

The Light Blues, who were favoured to win, were quicker on the ball and more methodical in the first half, at the end of which they led by the only goal scored. Sever, the Cambridge inside-right, netted from 25 yards out.

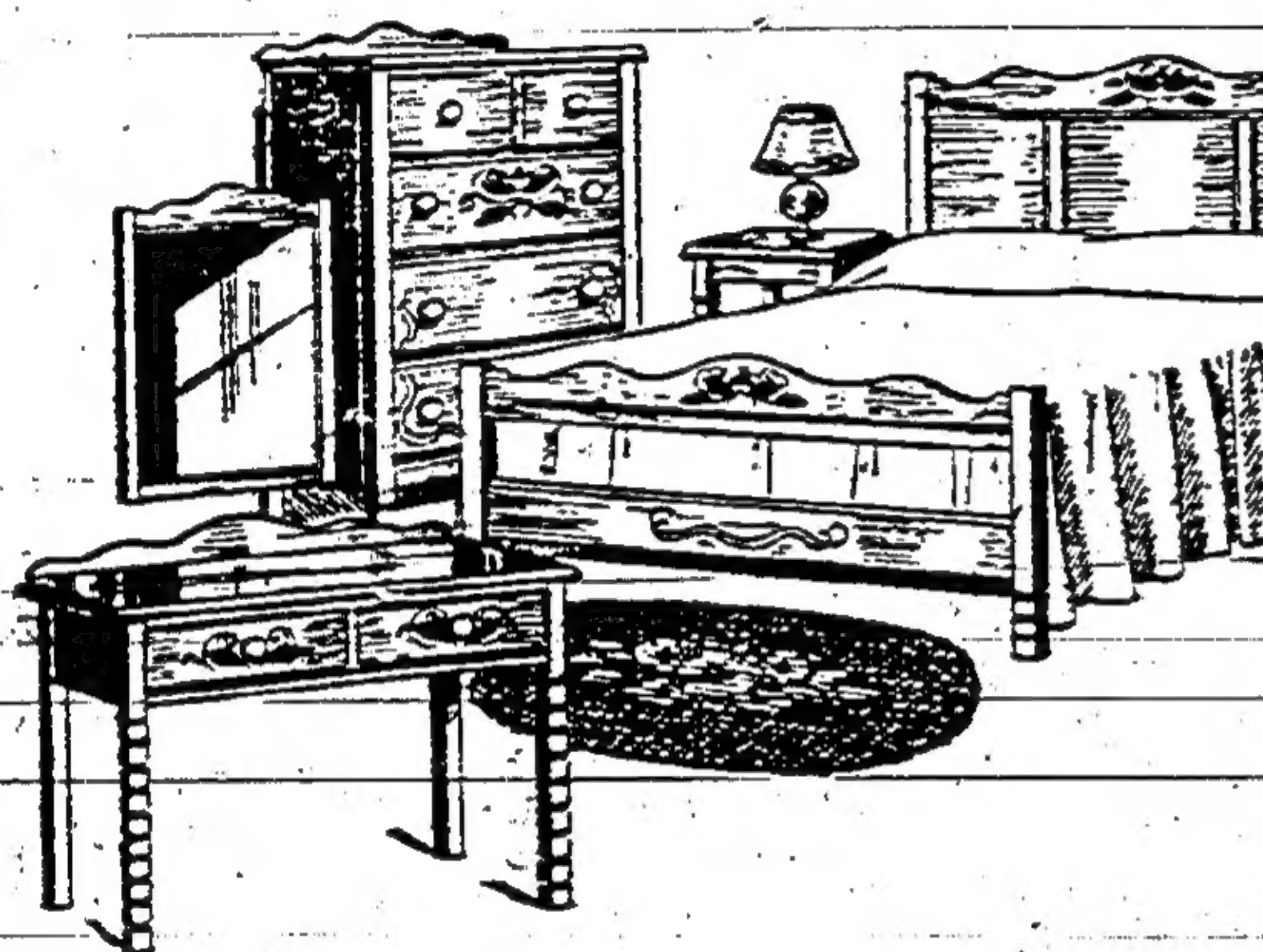
The Oxford forwards called after resumption. Lee, their centre-forward, accounting for two goals, while Coleman, inside-left, scored the third.



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Hong Kong, Friday, Dec. 27, 1935.

In The Speaker's Chair

For the fourth time last month Capt. FitzRoy was elected to the Speakership with the hearty and unanimous approval of all parties. It is the first duty of every new House of Commons to choose a Speaker, before members have themselves been formally sworn in. That in itself shows the outstanding importance of the Speaker in the British Parliamentary regime. He is at once the spokesman of the Commons, the guardian of their privileges and dignities, the presiding officer at their debates and the protector—should protection be needed—of minorities in the House itself against either Government oppression or the impotence of a large and clamorous majority. He is also, it is pertinent to observe, the final arbiter of when opposition passes its legitimate bounds and becomes obstruction. For obstruction can be as gross a denial of the rights of Parliamentary majorities as the overbearing and brow-beating attitude of a huge majority would be a denial of the right of minorities to full expression of their views.

Happily, in recent years there has been very little of the sullen and relentless Parliamentary obstruction which older politicians still vividly remember. Its absence, indeed, provides one of the strongest grounds for confidence that the British Parliamentary system will successfully surmount the hostile influences which have destroyed Parliamentary institutions in so many European countries and suppressed almost the last vestiges of free speech. How much of this is due to national temperament, how much to the conservative instinct from which even the more extreme elements cannot wholly shake themselves free, and how much to the respect inspired by the office of the Speakership we need not here inquire. There are times when what Burke once called "the austerity of the Chair" must be maintained by the passionless exercise of a painful duty. There are other times when the rising waves of wrath need the rebuking voice or the light word in season which closes an incident with a laugh. Capt. FitzRoy has proved equal to all occasions. He has the urbanity which serves best for ordinary occasions, but the needful strength, if latent, is known to be always at call. The line of great Speakers does not fail: it is part of our Parliamentary heritage.

Other elections also took place at the end of last month in connection with the meeting of Parliament. The Socialist Parliamentary party, invited to choose between Mr. Attlee, Mr. Morrison, and Mr. Greenwood, chose Mr. Attlee at a second ballot, by a majority of 88 to 48 over Mr. Morrison. No principles or programmes of action were at stake; it was a choice between men, and Mr. Attlee's efficient work as Deputy Leader during the last Parliament gave him a claim to leadership which nothing but an extreme disparity in ability could reasonably have overcome. He will start with the respect and good will of the other side of the House. The Liberals chose Sir Archibald Sinclair to replace Sir Herbert Samuel, their principal casual hybrid, miscellany but on the left at the General Election. The Opposition Front Bench

Here There and Everywhere

MECHANICAL ROULETTE

Strapero, the form of roulette with an electrically controlled wheel which has brought down the Spanish Government, is not a Spanish game.

It was invented by M. Daniel Strauss, who has caused the storm, and by a Dutchman called Perl. The wheel could be stopped by any player pressing the button. This, it was hoped, would take it out of the category of games of chance.

For some time it was extremely popular in Holland, whence it was brought by M. Strauss. But about two years ago the Minister of Justice ordered the closing of all gaming houses, where it was played.

ANTI-GAMBLING DICTATOR

Spaniards themselves, owing to the activities of M. Strauss, were enabled to have their only brief opportunity to gamble in public for some 12 years or more.

Shortly before Primo de Rivera came into power a law against gambling was enacted.

Primo de Rivera had himself been a great gambler. He realised the evils it brought in its train, however, and enforced the anti-gambling laws with great severity.

PERSONAL SCANDALS

Roulette is an odd cause of the downfall of a Government. There does not seem to be a parallel.

In France, however, Jules Grévy, who was elected President in 1879 and re-elected in 1885, had to resign because his son-in-law had trafficked in the Legion of Honour.

Crispi, the Italian Prime Minister, had a charge of "inadvertent" bigamy proved against him, and the defeat of Adowa completed his political downfall.

In England no Government has been brought down by a scandal of this sort.

Henry Dundas, first Lord Melville, Pitt's great friend and organiser, resigned the office of First Lord of the Admiralty in 1805 when it was found that a subordinate was speculating in naval funds.

The South Sea Bubble scandal shook the Government of the day, but only brought down Aislaire, the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

Your Daily Smile!

Seats in the Botanic Gardens are being painted. A spirit of quiet optimism prevails amongst suit-cleaners.

MORE POPULAR
Ten cents isn't supposed to be as good as a dollar, but it goes to church more often.

MODERN AGE
Little Johnny: "Look at that rhinoceros."

Little Willie: "That's no rhinoceros; that's a hippopotamus. Can't you see it's got no radiator cap?"

Long Prospect
Sandy: "When is Annie McTavish going to let you marry her?"
And: "It's very uncertain. Some person gave her a big box of newspaper with her name printed on it. She won't get married till it's used up—and she writes very few letters on account of the postage."

A THAMES TRAGEDY

The body of a woman, apparently between 25 and 30, was recovered from the Thames off Lovell's wharf, Greenwich, last month.

he cannot bend the bow of Ulysses he carries a useful bow of his own. Mr. Lloyd George, who took the chair at this meeting, will sit during this Parliament on the Opposition Front Bench. He said recently that he meant to work with the Council of Action. But if, as we hope, the policy of the National Government gives the Council no reasonable excuse for eruption, that extra-Parliamentary organisation, which was founded to serve a purely election purpose, may conceivably find its occupation gone. If Mr. Lloyd George wants to attack the Government, his place as a Parliamentarian is not among a hybrid miscellany but on the Opposition Front Bench.

HOW NOT TO FAIL IN FILM CAREER

Maxims For Coming Stars

INSURANCE COMPANY'S LIST

Hollywood—While there is said to be no sure formula for success as a film star, pretty 20-year-old Joy Hodges knows what not to do. Her insurance company told her. The following are their prohibitions.

Don't marry
Don't smoke
Don't drink
Don't relax present high character values
Don't incur adverse public opinion
Don't grow lax in pursuing career
If Miss Hodges obeys all these commandments the insurance company will guarantee that she earns U.S.\$25,000 in the next three years.

Miss Hodges is a former choir singer. She recently signed a film contract that she estimates should enable her to earn \$270,000 in the next three years.—Reuter.

AMERICA'S AIR FORCE

To Be Doubled In
Size

FIVE YEAR PLAN

Washington.—As the first step in a five-year plan to double the size of the Army Air Corps the War Department intends to ask Congress for an appropriation of more than \$40,000,000 to buy 800 new planes during the coming fiscal year.

This announcement was made by Mr. Harry Woodring, Acting-Secretary of War. He added that the proposal to buy 800 new planes annually for the next five years "in general represents the view of the entire War Department."

It was the object of the Department, he explained, to build up a force of 2,500 serviceable planes. At present the Army Air Corps has 1,272 first-class aeroplanes in commission.

Opinion in Congress is said to favour the appropriation.—Reuter.

ZEPPELIN BOMB FOUND

A bomb found at Walsall has been identified as a Zeppelin missile, probably dropped in 1916.

HEROES BURIED IN ST. PAUL'S

STATELY FUNERALS OF OTHER DAYS

ADMIRAL LORD JELICOE JOINS SELECT COMPANY

(By Walter G. Bell)

EARL Jellicoe was recently laid to rest for his long rest close by Nelson in the crypt of St. Paul's. Only the foot-passage used by those who make the circuit of the basilic sarcophagus separates them.

I stood at the spot a day or so before the ceremony, amid numbers of wreaths which already had arrived. The poppies composing them flared in the crypt's subdued light, making a scarlet bank.

None hereafter will have difficulty in finding the grave, for the honour was given to Nelson to occupy the central site of the vast building which spreads around him. A line dropped from the golden cross above the Dome would fall plumb upon his coffin. A little distance apart is the dignified tomb, in Cornish porphyry, where lies Arthur Duke of Wellington.

Away through the long arched corridor may be seen darkly the huge bronze funeral car which brought the corpse of the hero of Waterloo through London streets to St. Paul's. One recalls Tennyson's Ode:

Where shall we lay the man
whom we deplore?
Here, in streaming London's central
road.

Let the sound of those he wrought for,
And the feet of those he fought for,
Echo round his bones for evermore.

Nelson Home

When the barriers were erected London's myriad populace thronged the streets as on other occasions when seamen and soldiers have been borne in public funeral to St. Paul's. Nelson comes first to mind. Although Trafalgar was fought on October 21, 1805, it was the following January 9 when the final obsequies took place, the body having been brought home by the Victory preserved in brandy.

There was a lying-in-state in the Painted Chamber of Greenwich Hospital, and a procession by barge up-river to Whitehall Stairs. At the Admiralty the coffin rested for the night. London can have had little sleep that night, for thousands were upon

the route before dawn. Nelson was borne upon a funeral car which rose 18ft from the ground, its ends fashioned in imitation of the stem and stern of the Victory. An Admiral of the White flag was down at half-staff, Britannia and Neptune with Fame were figured, and amid laurels and cyprus appeared the names of the hero's battles. The Prince of Wales (afterwards George IV) came immediately before.

Victory's Flag

Six Admirals walked "bearing the canopy, and four others supported the black velvet pall. In all 100 naval officers and 50 military officers, 50 clergy and 100 members of the two Houses of Parliament that day might have been counted. So long was the procession, moving at a slow pace, that although its head entered St. Paul's about two o'clock, it was four before all were seated. The Cathedral had been thrown open at seven, and many persons waited throughout the hours.

About 60 of the Victory's crew were in the church. All attention was attracted to them as they marched up. They bore two Union Jacks and the St. George's ensign of Nelson's flagship, the colours perforated in many places by the enemy's shot and the ensign literally shattered. It was a day for heroic thoughts, which the newspapers did not fail to express.

Upon the countenances of these gallant fellows there was an eloquent expression of steadfast sorrow. Features which could never be brought or formed to express fear or any unmanly feeling seemed to be considerably softened by long-settled melancholy. These men, whom no dangers could daunt, whose nerve would stand unshaken before the most menacing terrors of death, seemed deeply depressed by the fate of their commander. Their affection was so apparent as to excite the most lively sympathy in the hearts of the spectators.

The service before the committal took a full hour, during which time the coffin was placed under the dome, raised high upon a platform, whence it was visible from all parts of the Cathedral.

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"BELIEVE IT OR NOT" by Robert L. Ripley



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TO-MORROW

See how this 5-year-old dimpled darling shook down the toughest mob on Broadway... for lollipops!

LITTLE BIG SHOT

A Warner Bros. Picture with
GLENDIA FARRELL
ROBT. ARMSTRONG
EDW. EVERETT HORTON



Assisted by an all-star cast, Ann Dvorak, Dick Powell and Peter Kelly step out to new heights in "Thanks a Million," the 20th Century production which will be shown simultaneously at the King's and Alhambra Theatres shortly.

SHORT SHOTS

WILLIAM POWELL intends spending six months of each year in England, in order to avoid the Californian income tax. He will then have to pay tax only to the British authorities. Frances Marion, the well-known scenario writer, has been to England for the same reason.

Directly Douglas Fairbanks Jr. announced that he would produce and star in a life story of Bonnie Prince Charlie, Leslie Howard stated he would also, in another British studio under his own management. One of them will surely shelve his intention.

Victor McLaglen is leading man with Mae West in "Klondyke." The story tells of the 1896 gold rush and was written by the star herself.

There are strong rumours in Hollywood that the late Thelma Todd was murdered. She was recently the victim of blackmailers and her life was threatened.

Barbara Stanwyck's star is in the ascendant. After making a big hit in "Annie Oakley" she will be starred with Wallace Beery in "Message to Garcia" by Twentieth Century.

King Vidor, the director, is making lots of money these days, so his ex-



Fred Allen, a radio star, is the chief laugh-getter in "Thanks a Million," the 20th Century picture which will be coming to the King's and Alhambra Theatres soon.



Glendia Farrell, wisecracking gold-digger of many film hits, plays a new type role in "Little Big Shot," in which she is coming to the Alhambra Theatre to-morrow with the screen's new child star, Sybil Jason.

Wife, Eleanor Boardman, is suing him for more money for support of herself and their two children.

Now that Dick Powell has made up his difference with Warner Bros. he has returned to a larger pay cheque and the big role in "Colleen" with Ruby Keeler and Joan Blondell.

Strong rumours are afloat that Anne Harding will really marry the U.S. Army Officer she met while vacationing in Honolulu, and there seems no argument against the fact that Katharine Hepburn has married her manager Leyland Haywood, although they both still deny it. Hollywood seems to have at last accepted the fact that Chaplin is really married to Paulette Goddard.

At last the famous Metropolitan is recognising Hollywood. They have given Gladys Swarthout special permission to finish her picture with Jan Kiepura, before returning to her contract with them.

Von Sternberg seems to be concentrating on making Marian Marsh into a glamorous beauty of the type of Marlene Dietrich. In "Crime and Punishment" the new Marian already shows signs of improvement in appearance and acting.

Eddie Cantor in his newest production "Shoot the Clown" has Sally Eilers as leading lady.

Warren Hymer has married Virginia Meyer. Both had been married before.

Maria Eggerth, reported engaged to Jan Kiepura, will sing in four languages in her first Hollywood picture.

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STIRRING PERFORMANCE BY TIBBETT IN "METROPOLITAN"

JIMMY CAGNEY IS AGAIN AMUSING IN "PICTURE SNATCHER"

NEW SOUTH AFRICAN CHILD ACTRESS TAKES HONOURS IN "LITTLE BIG SHOT"

By Diane

AS a Tibbett song-feast "Metropolitan" is the most satisfying picture of its kind. It seems to be difficult to find original stories for these famous Opera stars, so there is a similarity in them all. They must show early struggles and finally success, and give them opportunities to render their greatest numbers. Now we have hero Tibbett (a much improved man in appearance) emerging from the Metropolitan chorus and finding fame only in the final scene in a newly-formed opera company in Philadelphia. I can only echo the sentiment of the old-time Conductor (played excellently by "Anna Christie" George Marion Senn), who says that only once in a lifetime does such a voice as Tibbett's come to this world. I will not forget his rendition of the most difficult songs "Glorious Road" and the Barber's song from "The Barber of Seville," and when you hear the Prologue from "Pagliacci" you will want to applaud with the cinema audience.

I well remember the Premiere of Tibbett's first film — "The Rogue Song," at the Hollywood Grauman's "Chinese." It was the only time I ever heard tremendous applause from a cinema audience for a screen artist. This magic voice will thrill you in "The Toreador Song" from "Carmen" and a brief bit from the final scene of "Faust."

Virginia Bruce makes a charming and lovely heroine, while we glimpse Jessie Ralph and Cesar Romero in minor roles with Luis Alberni playing his usual characterisation as only he can. You will be surprised at comedienne Alice Brady as the temperamental Opera star — she turns in a wonderful performance and looks surprisingly young and pretty, while Boleslawski's direction is outstanding. Lawrence Tibbett is an actor as well as a singer and he assuredly makes this picture one of the best examples of its type yet screened. Not to be missed. (King's).

"The Last Outpost"

The age-old time triangle crops up in India — this time, with Cary Grant as the officer who unknowingly falls in love with his best friend's wife, Claud Rains, while Gertrude Michael plays the wife. This picture has all the thrills which used to delight us in Westerns, even to the scene where the hero, armed with one revolver, holds off an entire band of native Afridis armed with rifles, spears and arrows. The British soldiers arrive in the nick of time and we are all relieved and happy.

A grand cast puts over this exciting film in first-rate manner. There are some "Tarzan-like" scenes with elephants stampeding, swollen rivers, mountain climbing and death in the desert, but the leading players do fine work, and I don't think you will find the excitement missing. (Queen's).

"The Little Big Shot"

Warner Bros. wanted a child actress to share in some of the glory attained by the Fox child genius Shirley Temple, so they brought Little Sybil Jason over from British films. This "Little South African-born girl is a cunning child and excels in putting over song numbers. The story of the adoption of an orphan by a Broadway gangster is not much, but a grand cast surrounds this clever little girl. Robert Armstrong, Edward Everett Horton, Glendia Farrell, Jack La Rue, Carroll Nalish, Edgar Kennedy and others. Worth seeing alone for Little Sybil. (Alhambra).

"Here Comes The Band"

The old invincibles Ted Healey and Nat Pendleton at it again, this time in an amusing, but rather confusing story. Ted Lewis, the famous band leader, is the real star, while Virginia Bruce — looking lovely — is not given enough to do. A newcomer, with a voice, Harry Stockwell, does justice to several catchy songs. Donald Cook, Specky McFarland, May

Beatty, Robert McWade and all the M.G.M. stock players we know so well (cinematically), with the aid of Lewis and his grand band, make this an amusing and entertaining evening. (Alhambra).

"Broadway Gondolier"

Laughter and sweet music with a most capable Warner Bros. star cast. Dick Powell is the cabbie who gondolas his way to fame on the radio. He handles the many tuneful songs in his most charming manner, while Adolphe Menjou, Grant Mitchell, Louise Fazenda and the adorable Joan Blondell supply the laughs. This picture gives an insight into life behind the scenes of a big radio station, and while the story is far-fetched it is all done so much in a spirit of fun and so well acted by the whole cast that you are in for enjoyment all the way.

In addition to the splendid cast we have the Four Mills Brothers and the famous Ted Fiorita Band. You will want to see "Broadway Gondolier," and will be whistling its tunes for weeks to come. Just the sort of good fun for this festive season. (Queen's).

"A Night At The Opera"

Now there are only three Marx Brothers — Groucho, Chico and Harpo, but they carry on the mad traditions of the famous clowns as well as ever they did. Also they have surrounded themselves with an exceptionally good cast. There



Patricia Ellis plays the leading feminine role in "Picture Snatcher," a Warner Bros. production which is coming to the Queen's Theatre next Sunday.

are also Kitty Carlisle, cultured sweet girl with the pretty voice, (remembered in two films with King Crosby), Allan Jones and the Marx "Female Stogie" — Margaret Dumont. As the cycle of success now runs to opera and things operatic, the Marx Brothers are not far behind in knowing what the public wants, and this is easily one of their maddest and funniest films. More of this later, but it is due soon at the King's.

"Broadway Melody Of 1936"

It is welcome news to know that this super M.G.M. picture will play at the King's and Alhambra from January 4 to 7. That will give everyone a chance to see this great musical at least three times. From what I hear and read it will rank as the greatest musical of all time (with the exception of the Rogers-Astaire hits) and will go down in history alone for the fact that it gave to the cinema "fans" the real Eleanor Powell (her chance in George White's Scandals was so small).

Now you will see the world's greatest dancer, and in addition we have the handsome leading man who is heading for stardom, Robert Taylor, the eccentric dancers, Buddy and Vilma Egan, the highest-paid radio entertainer, Jack Benny, Sid Silvers, "The Merry Old Lady" — "Broadway Melody of 1936" will be the rage of Hong Kong, or I am much mistaken. (King's and Alhambra).

"Alice Adams" Katharine Hepburn has captured all the charm of the Booth Tarkington heroine. She has a sympathetic role of the small-town girl who, pinched by poverty, living in dreams she cannot realise, makes a grand play for a handsome newcomer and — after a series of heart-breaking adventures — gets her man. This is the best acting the star has given us since "Morning Glory" and "Little Women."

You either like or dislike Miss Hepburn, but you must admit she has a personality and charm all her own. Gone is the strident voice and mannish walk. She brings all the sympathy needed for the role, and you share her tears and her joy.

There is honesty, realism and truth in this Tarkington creation, and this picture will rank high in the season's outstanding films. To miss it is to miss something great, and a word of praise must be given to the new Director, George Stevens, who has handled the star so magnificently and retained the small-town atmosphere convincingly and exquisitely. Fred MacMurray is hardly on a par with the star, but Frank Albertson, Fred Stone, (old-time stage actor in his first picture) do grand work. Also Anne Shoemaker, Evelyn Venable, Eattie McDaniels and Charles Grapewin are to be specially commended. Not to be missed. (King's).

"Curly Top"

"Sure-fire" entertainment for Shirley Temple's admirers. It is a flimsy story of the old-time movie "Daddy Long-legs" with Rochelle Hudson and John Boles in the love interest. Esther Dale and Arthur Treacher are the others who count most, but the real success lies upon the slim lovely shoulders of the child-genius and she is given every opportunity to shine. Not to be missed, as it is only showing for one day at special request. (Alhambra).

"Way Down East"

The classic melodrama of the movies which gave fame to Lillian Gish, Richard Barthelmess, Lowell Sherman and director D.W. Griffith has been made into an effective talkie, leaving out none of the thrills, but doing away with most of the trash. King Vidor directs with feeling and imagination. Rochelle Hudson may not look quite so ethereal and innocent as Lillian, but she is sincere and natural and pretty to look upon. Henry Fonda seems destined for similar roles to the one he had in "The Farmer Takes a Wife," but there is no one in Hollywood more suitable. Edward Trevor is the villain in the piece, who atones for his misdeeds by sacrificing his life.

There is no need to enter into the story, but the pleasant domestic background, the country scenes and the thrilling finale are capital photographs and helped by a well-picked cast. I have no doubt it will thrill the "fans" as much to-day as it did many years ago. Margaret Hamilton (seen here in "Hat, Coat and Glove") is outstanding as the busybody, and Andy Devine and Allyn Joslyn portray the comedy. Slim Summerville, Spring Byington and Russell Simpson are chief among the support. Good entertainment value. (Alhambra).

"Picture Snatcher"

Jimmy Cagney is always worth seeing, but this picture is easily one of his best. After emerging from prison, he earns his way snatching pictures of heartbroken people for a sensational newspaper. He meets sob-sister Alice White, who loves him. The hero loses his heart instead to innocent Patricia Ellis, but when he learns she is the daughter of the policeman who sent him to prison you can guess the rest. The dialogue sparkles with wisecracks and "tough-guy" ingredients, but it is all good fun and I recommend it. (Queen's).

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QUEEN THEATRE

TO-DAY
MUSICAL ROMANCE
"BROADWAY GONDOLIER"

with
DICK POWELL — JOAN BLONDELL

NEXT CHANGE

REAL SNAPPY ACTION!

"PICTURE SNATCHER"

with JAMES CAGNEY

SUNDAY AT THE KING'S



Fred MacMurray, who is the town's most eligible bachelor, woos Katharine Hepburn in "Alice Adams," which is said to portray one of the most poignant situations brought about by the social barriers that exist in average American households, suffering and gallant courage are woven into this gripping human interest story by Booth Tarkington, coming on Sunday to the King's Theatre.



The woman in the case is five-year-old Sybil Jason, who will capture the hearts of Alhambra Theatre audiences just as she did the hearts of Robert Armstrong and Edward Everett Horton, with whom she is appearing in Warner Bros. "Little Big Shot."



"A Night At The Opera" will bring the Marx Brothers to the King's Theatre on New Year's Day. In the funniest picture ever made!

ABOLISHING ALL HOMEWORK

1,000 Schoolgirls Are Happy

NEW RULE INTRODUCED IN LONDON SCHOOL

London.—More than 1,000 schoolgirls in four leading secondary schools in London and the provinces have had their homework reduced this term.

This is the latest development in the "less homework" movement which is spreading in this country. Over 2,000 boys and girls in 20 secondary schools have already had their homework abolished or reduced this year, excluding the latest batch to enjoy the "concession."

Parents at one of the four schools which have just decided to reduce homework—Tottenham High School, London—have been invited by the headmistress, Miss N. Jones, to co-operate with the teaching staff in seeing that the children do not spend longer than the allotted time on their homework.

Vicious Circle

"It sometimes happens," Miss Jones stated in a report on the new scheme, "that girls give a misleading impression as to what can be done in a given time by working overtime on their homework."

"Other girls then feel that their own achievement was not good enough and they, too, spend longer hours on their home lessons. And so a vicious circle is started."

Results of a Board of Education investigation into the question of homework in day schools will be published shortly.—Reuter.

GOLD MAGNATES SAD DEATH

Last Days Spent In Penury

Los Angeles.—A man who found a gold mine which netted him \$3,000 a day has died here in poverty.

He was John Swanson, aged 65, known as "Old Itchfoot" in the glamorous days in the Klondike in the nineties. The great fortune which he made in Alaska was mostly poured away over the gaming tables in Nome, Fairbanks and Dawson City.

Swanson was a friend of Jack London and Rex Beach, the writers, during their adventurous days on the gold trail. Towards the end of his life he appeared in a Hollywood film as a gold prospector, but his last days were spent in penury.—Reuter.

CHINA SOCIETY IN LONDON

New Officers Selected At Annual Meeting

London.—New officers were elected for the China Society in London at its annual meeting held at the China Institute.

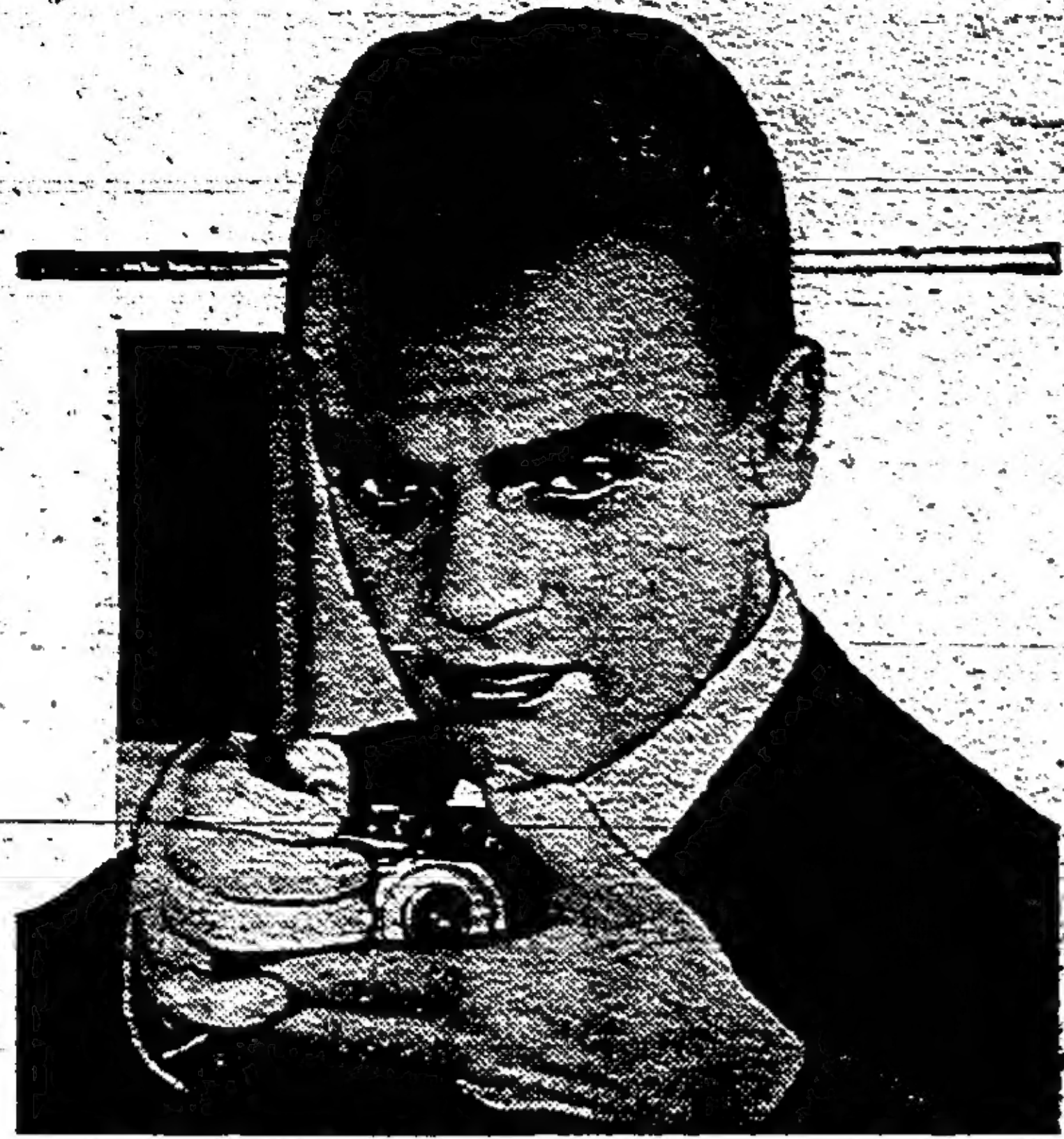
New vice-presidents are: Lord Peel, Lord Winterton, Mr. H. G. Wells, Mr. Laurence Binyon, Sir Percival David, Sir James Stewart Lockhart, the Rev. Dr. J. Scott Lidgett, and Major-General Sir Neil Malcolm.

The new council for the year includes Mr. W. W. Asford, Captain Victor Cochran-Baillie, Mrs. Elliott, and Miss Irene Ho Tung. Mrs. Davis, No. 74 Grosvenor Street, London, S.W.1, was appointed secretary for the society.

The Chinese Ambassador is president of the Society.—Reuter.

ST. FRANCIS' HOME

Another Rector of the Hong Kong Association of the Third Order of St. Francis begs gratefully to acknowledge receipt of the sum of \$68.00, proceeds of a collection made by the "Kowloon Tong" on Christmas Eve, 1935, in aid of the St. Francis' Home for street sleepers.



James Cagney is a daring newspaper photographer in the Warner Bros. production "Picture Snatcher," which will be screened at the Queen's Theatre next Sunday.

LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

Deputy Inspector-General of Police, D. Burlingham, and Mrs. Burlingham, are leaving for Home by the P. and O. s.s. Naldora tomorrow. Mr. Burlingham has retired from active service owing to ill-health.

Sergeant C. Mottram, of Police Headquarters, is going on Home leave tomorrow by the s.s. Naldora.

Captain J. W. A. Waller, the Captain on the Staff, commander-in-chief's office, is leaving the Colony tomorrow by the s.s. Naldora for Singapore, in order to meet the new Commander-in-Chief, Vice-Admiral Sir Charles J. C. Little, K.C.B., who is travelling out by the s.s. Chitral. Captain Waller will join the Chitral at Singapore, and will return by that ship, arriving here on January 9. The present Commander-in-Chief, His Excellency Sir Frederic Dreyer, is leaving for Home by the s.s. Carthage on January 11.

The R.M.S. Empress of Asia left Yokohama yesterday and is due here next Thursday at 8 a.m. She will sail at 6 p.m. the same day for Manila.

The s.s. Nankin is due here next Monday afternoon, and will sail for Manila and Australian ports at 4 p.m. next Tuesday.

The local Muslim community will tomorrow celebrate their festival, *Id-ul-Fitr*, which marks the close of Ramadan, or the fasting month. A special service will be held at The Mosque, Shelly Street, at 9.15 a.m. when the Imam will take the service.

Among the passengers, who will board the s.s. President Hoover at noon tomorrow for Shanghai is Mrs. J. Miller, wife of Mr. Jack Miller, professional book-maker who left a week ago for the north-east port to establish another Club there.

Over 100 persons, including a number of children, of the poorest classes in Kowloon, were entertained to a delightful Christmas treat by St. Andrew's Church yesterday afternoon.

It is announced from London that Mr. A. Jackson, who has been Assistant Government Analyst in Hong Kong for the past six years, has been transferred to the Straits Settlements, in a similar capacity.

Lieut. Vivien Desmond Gask, of H.M.S. Cornwall, stationed at Singapore, died from malaria and heart failure last week while the warship was on a cruise to Malacca, Port Swettenham and other upcountry ports.

Feodor Chapihine, the famous Russian basso singer, left Marseilles on Friday in the N.Y.K. s.s. Hakone Maru for the Far East and is expected to visit Shanghai for a brief engagement.

The Hong Kong University Arts Association is presenting "Lady Precious Stream" in the Great Hall of the University on Saturday, January 11, at 9.15 p.m. Seats may be booked at the King's Theatre from to-day.

Little Hazel Millington, the 10-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Millington of No. 3, Cox's Path, broke her right arm while playing with another child at the Civil Service Cricket Club yesterday. She was removed to the Kowloon Hospital where she is reported to be making good progress.

M. J. Leunquin, French Consul General in Hankow, has been transferred to Hong Kong and he and Mme. Leunquin will be arriving here early next month.

Two Hong Kong Moslems will embark on the pilgrimage to Mecca by the Blue Funnel steamer Tantalus tomorrow. They are Messrs. Abdul Rahman Abbas and Moosa Azim. Mr. Abbas retired from the British-American Tobacco Co. (China), Ltd. three months ago, while Mr. Azim left the Government service on pension some years back.

The Restaurant of the Gloucester Hotel presented a colourful spectacle last night when a highly successful Carnival Dance was held. The room was effectively decorated with greenery and "falling snow." Paper hats, streamers, and other novelties were provided for the guests, and it was not long ere the Restaurant took on a truly festive appearance. A special band was in attendance, and dancing continued until 2 a.m.

Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd., have again issued a very neat calendar for 1936, while the P. and O. Steamship Company and the Advertising and Publicity Bureau (advertising Ovaline) have sent out very attractive wall calendars, the latter in a pleasing Chinese design. An extremely useful pocket diary from the P. and O. Steamship Company is also being issued.

The following Hong Kong residents who went on the Christmas round trip to Manila by the Empress of Japan returned to-day by that vessel: Mr. J. B. Swales, Mr. and Mrs. Edwards Jones, Brigadier-General and Mrs. F. S. Thackeray, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Costello, Mr. R. Hancock, Mr. H. Sauerbeck, Captain D. B. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Evans, Lt. C. A. Southey, Mrs. G. S. Gamble, Dr. and Mrs. W. B. A. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Challinor, Mr. E. Lewis, Miss E. Gibbon, Mr. G. Madgwick, Mrs. A. Kidd, Miss L. A. Lock, Miss H. C. Grady, Mr. Fung Kwok-wa, Mr. Yip Kwong-tung, Mr. Chiu Ki-fan, Mr. Fong Chung-lim and Mr. Chan Koon-ying.

UNITED HUNTS BALL

Hunting people from all over the world will forget their London on February 6, when the sixth annual United Hunts Ball will be held at Grosvenor House, Park Lane, under the patronage of H.R.H. the Duke of York.

WARNING TO AIRMEN

Air pilots are warned that a radio mast, 196 ft. high, has been erected immediately south-west of the railway station at Hayes, Middlesex.

To-day's Short Story

DEAD RECKONING

By Ralph Stock

I HAVE killed a man because he disagreed with me. Anything more futile it is hard to imagine in cold blood, for by killing him I have proved nothing. He still holds his view. I know it, because I have spoken to him since, and he still laughs at me, though softly, compassionately, not as he laughed on that night when the absurdity happened.

Perhaps I am mad, but you shall judge. In any case, that is of no great importance, for by the time you read this, my confession—if, indeed, it is ever read—I shall have ceased to remember the earth.

He was young and strong, and filled with that terrible self-assurance of youth that sets an older man's teeth on edge. During his short term of tuition in the schools of the South there was nothing that he had not learned to do better (in theory) than a man of fifty years' experience, and obstinate

but blinding sunlight, a ridge of discoloured coral cleaving the blue mirror of the sea like a razor edge, and myself—a criminal perched upon it as upon a premature scaffold.

But I have overlooked the pickle bottle. It came to me floating, not quite empty, and corked against the flies, just as he and I had left it after the last meal. When the wreck sank, it must have risen from the fo'c'sle table and up through the hatch—it is curious that nothing else should rise—and it occurred to me that by its aid, and that of the little notebook with pencil attached which I always carry, it would be possible to set my case before the world. I must continue, or there may not be time to say all.

TO-MORROW'S STORY

To-morrow's story will be "The Sweet Shop," by John Talband.

"SAY IT WITH SONG TITLES"

Prizes Dispatched To Winners

Only four prizes have been awarded in the "Say-it-with-songs-titles" competition organised in connection with the screening of "Broadway Gondolier," as the other entries were not considered up to standard. The lucky winners are the following:

Frederick Wang, No. 51, Argyle Street, ground floor;
J. W. Thirwell, Taikee Dock;
Tung Wan, Hoag, No. 133, Des Voeux Road W.;
Bill Liha, No. 23 Jordan Road.
Sets of two dress circle tickets have been sent to each of the above-named winners.

FASTEST FIGHTER AEROPLANE

Now Being Built In Holland

Rotterdam.—Mr. Anthony Fokker, the well-known aircraft designer, is building a low-winged aeroplane of the fighter type which he believes will reach speeds higher than any yet attained.

At an altitude of 22,000 feet it will be capable of a maximum speed of 280 m.p.h. It has one engine of over 600 horse-power, and will be able to climb to a height of 16,000 feet in six minutes.

The new machine will be equipped with a five-inch automatic gun which will be synchronised to shoot through the propeller.

There will also be two machine-guns built into the wings one on each side.—Reuter.

BOGUS POLICEMAN HOAXES VILLAGE

Free Food And Drinks Consumed

Munich.—Posing as a police quartermaster, a bold young German has obtained all the food and drink he required for a meal by hoaxing an entire village. The village was Oberwiesau, Central Bavaria, where the swindler declared himself to be quartermaster for a troop of State Police.

After ordering supplies for 50 men, he ate and drank heartily at the expense of the village. Becoming suspicious, the burgomaster of the village demanded his papers. Without waiting to give an answer, the man ran out of the inn, jumped on to the burgomaster's bicycle and rode away. The next State Police were then sent in search of him.—Reuter.

They called me a curmudgeon and a skinflint, but I could afford to smile. My cargoes were not so large as theirs, and took longer to gather, but while they were eating into their profits by paying wages and shares to lazy crews, mine came solely to myself, and never in all those years did I have a mishap. Then, as I have said, he came. How he gained entrance I have never known, but he had a way with him, that boy, and when one evening I returned from a trip, he was sitting on the verandah with Doris. She was evidently embarrassed.

"This is Mr. Thorpe, father," she said, and went in to prepare supper, which was late for the first time that I could remember.

"Indeed?" said I, and remained standing, a fact that Thorpe appeared to overlook, for he repeated himself.

"Yes," he said in a manner that I believe is called "bravery," "that is my name, Captain Brent, and I'm pleased to make your acquaintance. Have you had a good trip?"

"Passable," said I. "And now, if you'll excuse me, I must go in and change."

"Oh, don't mind me," returned Thorpe, spreading himself in the cane chair and lighting a cigarette. "I'm quite comfortable."

For a moment I stood speechless, then went into the house.

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DIED AFTER EATING DUCK EGGS

A medical witness, saying that it was believed that a food poison had been found at the post-mortem, the inquest on James Erasmus Bartlett, aged 73, of Shepherdess walk, City-road, N., who had died after eating two duck eggs and a haddock, was adjourned.

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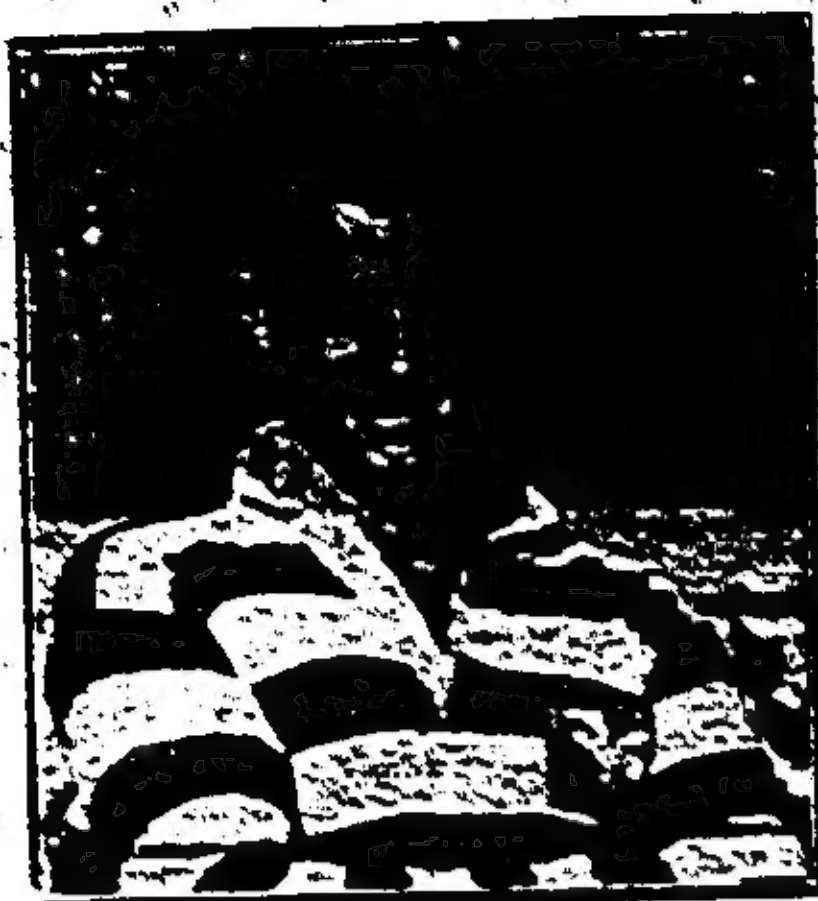
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R. H. Griffiths, above, who returned from Home leave last Thursday, played for the "Incogn" while on furlough.

NEW PROVISIONS FOR RECRUITING

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What was the attitude taken up by M. Herriot, who is frequently a critic of M. Laval's foreign policy, is kept secret, but considerable comment is raised by the fact that after the close of the Ministerial Council M. Herriot has over an hour's deliberation with M. Lebrun alone. In political circles the belief prevails that M. Herriot intends to speak in his own name against M. Laval at the foreign political debate in the Chamber to-day, and that M. Lebrun used all his influence to induce M. Herriot not to complicate the Premier's task at this critical juncture.

MOMENTOUS DECISION
It subsequently transpired that the Ministerial Council arrived at a decision of great moment in the inner political situation, namely, to accept the views of the Senate concerning the bill for the dissolution of the fighting unions and private militia. The Government has thus given up the standpoint that the law courts should decide the dissolution of the fighting unions, whereas the Senate wished that this should be decreed by the President of the Republic, after hearing the Ministerial Council. The law itself will be debated by the Chamber at the end of this week or the beginning of next week.

AIR FORCE NOMINATION
The Ministerial Council nominated General Pury, Chief of the General Staff, for the Air Force office, which has remained vacant since the appointment of General Denain as Minister for Aviation. The Chamber passed the credit of 1.7 milliards of francs for the strengthening of the French air forces in 1936.

GERMAN REARMAMENT
During the course of the debate on the new recruiting law the War Minister, M. Fabry, urged the Chamber to pass the text approved by the Army Committee, basing this on a series of allegations about the perils of German rearmament, which, he said, made the prolongation of the period of military training absolutely essential.

M. Fabry drew an alarming picture of the "intensive rearmament" of Germany, which is publicly admitted by the German Government. The position had not changed since last March, when the Flaminio Government had taken special precautions, said the War Minister.

Against Germany's 800,000 men under arms France has only 400,000 at the utmost, alleged the Minister. This strength could only be maintained if the age at which military training began were gradually lowered without, however, falling below 20 years. The Government, said M. Fabry, would reject all motions aiming at reducing the strength of effectives below this standard.

SATISFACTORY DEFENCES
But apart from the question of recruits, the Minister admitted that France could be satisfied with the state of defence, above all the motorised troops being specially excellent.

Finally, the Chamber referred all the amendments to the recruiting law to the Army Committee, by which the law on the dissolution of M. Lebrun, was held at the Ellymities. Before the session closed, the Chamber passed the motion, the carrying of which was the fighting unions, the carrying of which was the fighting unions, the carrying of which was the fighting unions.

LAVAL'S BIG TEST
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A LONDONER'S LOG DUKE OF GLOUCESTER'S RESIDENCE

"LITTLE WOODEN HOUSE" AT ALDERSHOT

(From Our Own Correspondent)

London, November 7, 1935.
A HOUSE built of wood is being prepared for the Duke of Gloucester and his bride, whose marriage at Buckingham Palace has made this an exciting week for Londoners. The house is the Royal Pavilion at Aldershot which was built for Queen Victoria and was first occupied by her during the summer of 1857. The Royal couple are expected to make it their home when the Duke returns from his honeymoon at Boughton House, near Kettering, on January 1 to take up his new appointment at the Staff College, Camberley, nine miles away.

The Duke and Duchess have already made a thorough inspection of the Pavilion together, and she appeared delighted with it. An unostentatious single-storey wooden structure on the top of a pine-and-heather-clad hill, it is arranged round three sides of a courtyard. It has been constantly used by members of the Royal Family since it was built. The King's last visit was in 1928. The Duke already knows it well, for he used its stable and garages when he was stationed in the nearby barracks as an officer in the 10th Hussars.

Modern Comforts
Besides state apartments there are 15 bedrooms and numerous reception rooms. The servant's quarters and kitchen are in a separate brick building containing all the latest equipment. Structural alterations and interior decorations are being carried out by an army of workmen, and to add to the comfort of the house, central heating is being installed.

The Royal Scots Greys are now stationed in the cavalry barracks opposite the entrance to the Royal Pavilion. They have arrived there after an absence of more than 40 years with their 300 famous grey chargers.

Step-Ladder Artist
I hear that the new Duchess, who is a keen amateur painter herself, has received nearly 100 pictures as wedding presents. So our struggling artists must not despair.

An exhibition of drawings I attended this week in an attic gallery in the Scho district showed me how nothing can keep an artist down. The artist concerned, Horace Brodsky, has been trying out his theories for the past twenty years or so and he is still full of ideas.

The drawings on view consisted of about 60 studies, mostly nudes. They struck me as remarkable on account of the terrific economy of line. Brodsky draws with a steel "dip-in" pen, with no preliminary pencilling.

He has an original method of obtaining the "relaxed pose." He climbs up a step-ladder, and from that position he looks down on his model reclining beneath.

Brodsky, lean, slight, middle-aged, talkative, was born in Melbourne and he has not yet lost his Australian accent, in spite of years spent in New York. Now he is living somewhere in the East End of London. There is nothing "precious" about him. He likes steak, roast beef, beer, whisky. "The most beautiful thing to draw," he told me, "is a woman's back. And — have you noticed? — it is just like a violin."

I Go "Wild"
So Mr. Herbert Morrison, leader of the London County Council,

the deciding factor. As a preliminary to to-day's meeting a Council of Ministers, presided over by M. Laval, was held at the Ellymities. Before the session closed, the Chamber passed the motion, the carrying of which was the fighting unions, the carrying of which was the fighting unions.

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thinks London is going "wild," becoming more Continental than Paris. He said so when a resolution designed to make Sunday entertainments brighter was being discussed by the Council.

This week-end I went in search of our Continental Sunday. Stifling my protesting conscience I indulged in a bun and a cup of tea when eventually I found one of our gay cafes which was not locked and closely shuttered.

I staggered out wondering where I could make for next. This involved a great deal of hard thinking, for the usual centres of revelry such as theatres, dance places and cinemas, were all tightly shut. A walk in the park and a ride in a rattling taxi filled up a couple of hours, and then I turned my attention to the hotels.

Determined to make a really riotous night of it, I visited all the "big six." At only one was dancing and music allowed. The others were a grim and silent mockery of Mr. Morrison's "wild" London theories. As I crawled home in the early hours (of the evening) I decided that next Sunday I shall be really wicked and go to a museum.

Mr. Morrison himself will be able to test his views next month. He is going to Paris to speak on "Local Government."

Ugly Bodies
In recent years London has, I confess, become naughtier in one respect; the clothes of actresses at some theatres have become increasingly scanty. Shows where the girls wear very little I always find distressing, for I cannot help being troubled by the thought that the poor things must be cold.

Mr. C. B. Cochran, probably our greatest showman, has decided to change all this. In his new revue, "Follow the Sun" now in preparation, he is not allowing the girls to show an inch of flesh other than their hands and faces.

Announcing his momentous decision, Mr. Cochran delivered himself of this somewhat unkind wisecrack: "The beauty of life has been greatly lessened by the desire of men and women to show their ugly bodies."

Good Old Days
Then, with the air of the connoisseur that he is, he continued: "It was good in the old days to see fine women in tights; it was good also to see a fine troupe of acrobats in fine silk trunks and tights. But they must be carefully selected specimens."

"I know nothing more revolting than the ordinary bathing beach, unless it is a Turkish bath."

Mr. Cochran agrees with Mr. Bernard Shaw that "the secret of sex appeal lies in clothes" — a truth that has long been obvious to less excited intellects.

The girls in the new revue are to be dressed "from their chins down," and their legs will be encased in "oceans of frills, furbelows and frum-frooms."

The King Chuckles
The King and Queen have just seen and heard their first croonies. And, as far as I could tell, they enjoyed the experience.

It was at the Royal Command Variety show at the Palladium, probably the best of all Royal shows. Besides giving Their Majesties and an audience of 3,000 a memorable evening, it netted more than £5,000 for the Variety Artists' Benevolent Fund. The amount was a record.

The climax to a succession of brilliant and amusing acts most of which kept the Royal party chuckling, came when the curtain rose to reveal 36 bygone favourites whose ages totalled 2,300 years. Many of them from the Brinsworth Home for Aged Artists at Twickenham. They wore their carefully preserved stage costumes.

One of them, Frank Bartram, 94, is the original handbell dancer, who performed before Queen Victoria at Osborne. Then delivering tracts and public prayers was Arthur. Recalling speaking. He is very proud to "Boys of the Bulldog Breed" have been sent over, as it is called. Kate, Carmy, Gus, Ellen, with grided as a high honour. "Down the Road," Florrie Ford, besides a boyish grin, he has and Harry Champion, with his dark hair and magnificent teeth. "Any Old Iron," recalling the and is an old hand at it.



Shirley Temple is in the Fox sensation "Curly Tops," which will be shown, by special request, at the Alhambra Theatre on New Year's Eve.

CHINA STATION

Recent Appointments By Admiralty

NEW COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF DUE SHORTLY

Vice-Admiral Sir Charles Little, K.C.B., left London on December 6 in the P. and O. liner *Central* for China. He is due to relieve Admiral Sir Frederic Dreyer as Commander-in-Chief at Hong Kong on January 11, 1936. Sir Frederic Dreyer has held the China command for nearly three years.

Normally the China Fleet includes 62 units of all kinds, of which there are five cruisers, nine destroyers, five sloops, 15 submarines, one aircraft carrier, and one minelayer, the other units being chiefly river gunboats. At present, however, some 12 vessels are temporarily detached from the station for service elsewhere.

Naval Appointments
Recent appointments notified by the Admiralty include the following:

Cdr. A. N. Grey to Kent, and C. Wauchope to Tamar (Feb. 7). Payr. Lt.-Cdr. R. Q. Pine to Bee (Dec. 20); G. D. Selwood to Hermes; and E. R. F. Hok to Bee (undated).
Chaplain Rev. J. T. B. Evans to H.M. Dockyard and R.N. Hospital, Hong Kong (Jan. 8).
Wt. Wardmaster M. A. Ball to Tamar (Jan. 11).

great days of the music hall. The youngest solo performer ever to appear in a Royal variety show — Boy Roy, 17-year-old juggler, on his one-wheeled cycle — was in the same programme.

About Mormons
Twenty-one-year-old Brigham Young, great-great-grandson of the famous Mormon leader, is in London. He has given up a career to come to England for two years as a Mormon missionary.

I found him quite prepared to answer questions about Mormons and their reputed fondness for polygamy.

"We believe that we were justified in allowing polygamy because so many of our men were taken to war early on in our history, leaving us with lots of women and few men," he told me.

Actually, he explained, only 4 per cent. of the early Mormons had more than one wife. "But," he added grinning, "some had as many as 18. My grandfather had quite a lot."

Young's first day in London was devoted to the search for a milk bar, for Mormons, I gather, never drink tea or coffee. He bitterly complained of the railway restaurant car where he had been unable to get a glass of milk.

While he is here he may be seen by any part of the country to 94. He is the original handbell dancer, who performed before Queen Victoria at Osborne. Then delivering tracts and public prayers was Arthur. Recalling speaking. He is very proud to "Boys of the Bulldog Breed" have been sent over, as it is called. Kate, Carmy, Gus, Ellen, with grided as a high honour. "Down the Road," Florrie Ford, besides a boyish grin, he has and Harry Champion, with his dark hair and magnificent teeth. "Any Old Iron," recalling the and is an old hand at it.

NEW ELECTORAL LAW

Provisions Announced In Greece

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Athens, To-day.
The Greek press announces that the new electoral law will be proclaimed this week after having been communicated to the leaders of the individual political parties. The press states further that the main provisions of the law will be: 300 deputies, the country to be divided into 32 electorates; the Jews in Salonika and Greek Mohammedans will in future not form separate groups, but will vote as an integral part of the population in the electorates where they live, having in all respects identical rights with other Greek subjects.

The new electoral law is based on voting for a list but individual electors have the right to put a cross against the name of one candidate on the list they vote for who meets with their special approval—Trans-Ocean Service.

CHILDREN'S DAY AT C.S.C. CLUB

Annual Function

The annual Children's Sports were held yesterday at the Civil Service Cricket Club, the proceedings beginning at 2.30 p.m. There were also several side-shows which proved highly popular.

At 5 o'clock Mrs. G. R. Sayer, wife of the Director of Education, distributed the Christmas Tree gifts, advantage being taken of the occasion to present the prize for the cricket, tennis and bowls championships.

Mr. Sayer paid a tribute to Mr. A. O. Brown, who had been Chairman of the Club for many years and Mr. Brown called for three cheers for Mr. and Mrs. Sayer.

BUS COLLISION IN NATHAN ROAD

Passenger Hurt And Sent To Hospital

While bus No. 688 was proceeding down Nathan Road towards the Star Ferry at 10.50 a.m. yesterday, it pulled up suddenly near the Duro Garage. Bus No. 654, which was following closely behind, could neither pull up nor swerve in time, with the result that it crashed into the rear of the vehicle in front, causing considerable damage.

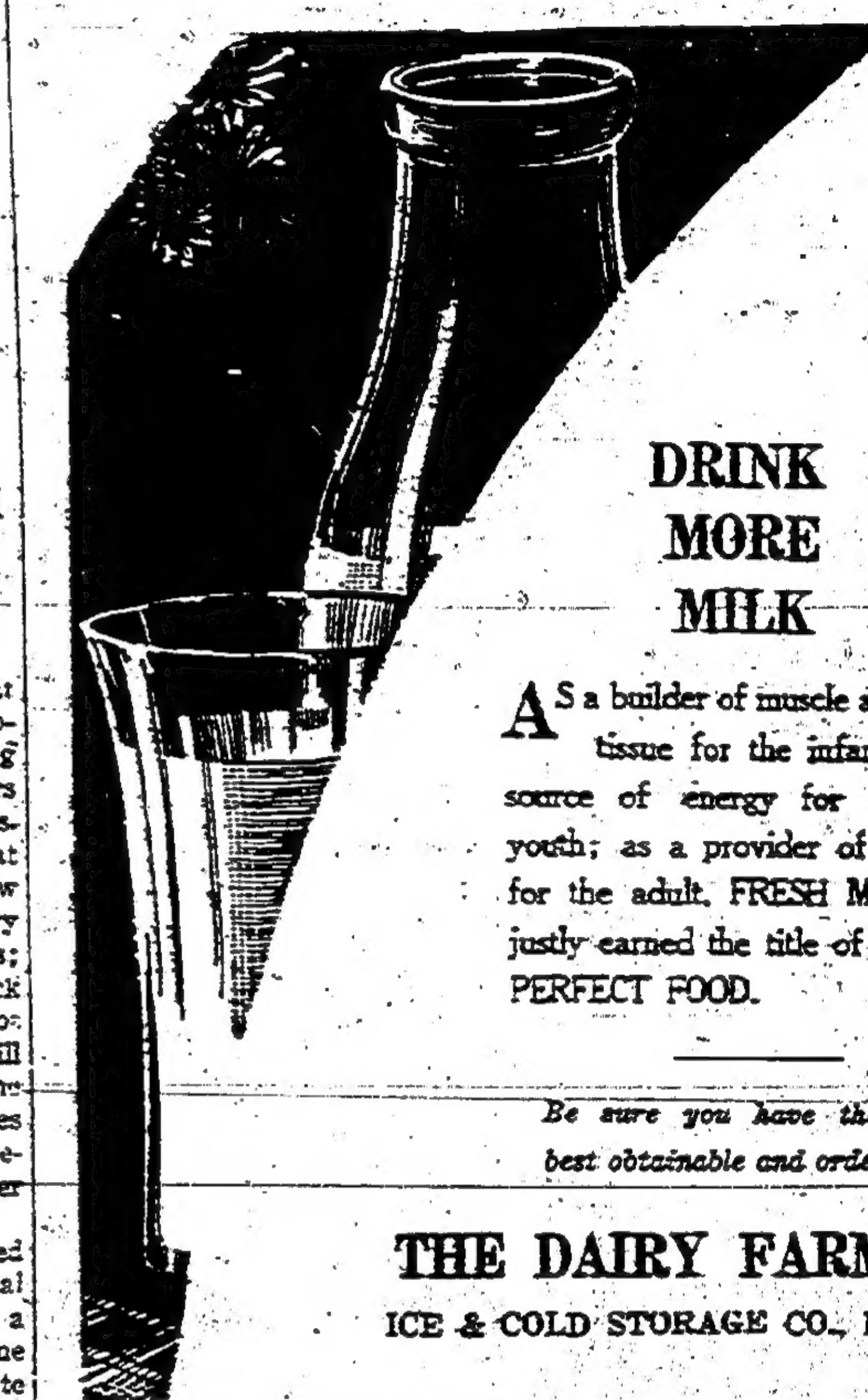
Wong Fuk, a passenger in bus No. 688, was slightly injured, receiving a cut over the right eye-brow, and was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital. His condition is not serious. No other passenger was injured, although a few suffered from shock.

The rear of bus No. 688 was severely battered and all the glass was splintered, while bus No. 654 had its radiator and water-tank considerably damaged.



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THE GOVERNOR'S EXAMPLE

Tracing "Hit And Run" Driver

St. John's.—Even the Governor's car was inspected at police headquarters when efforts were made here to trace the owner of a car which knocked down and killed a man in a main street, and then drove away.

The victim, horribly mangled, was left in the roadway in a pool of blood.

The police appealed to all car owners to send their cars to headquarters for "inspection." Over a thousand cars turned up in response to the appeal. Among the first was that of the Governor.

Admiral Sir D. Murray Anderson. This example by the Governor has attracted much favourable comment here.—Reuter.

BOMBS IN REFUSE
Three live Mills bombs were found among refuse at Eastbourne last night. The police have warned householders not to place ammunition in dustbins.

ROUND THE WORLD BY SCHOONER

Adventurous Trip By Scotch Girl

Vancouver.—A 75,000 miles round-the-world trip in a 45-foot schooner with two companions is planned by Miss Roberta MacDonald, a Scottish-born Vancouver girl.

The schooner, called "Canadian Voyager", has just been launched here and the party expects to sail early next year. Miss MacDonald, orphaned daughter of a sailor, is at present studying navigation and foreign languages for the voyage, which is expected to take six years to complete.

The "Canadian Voyager" will sail for Far Eastern waters via the South Seas and the Antipodes. Then the youthful skipper, will head the prow of the ship for the Suez Canal and thence to her old home in Scotland.—Reuter.

ITALIAN MONEY REFUSED

Foreign Currency Used On Italian Ship

New York.—Italy's need for foreign exchange has apparently led to the issue of orders that Italian money is not to be accepted on Italian liners.

An American lawyer who travelled from Italy on the Conte di Savoia told reporters on his arrival that he had been unable to spend the Italian lire with which he had intended to pay incidental expenses on the voyage. He had had to change it into American dollars first.

Even Italian postage stamps, to be used on letters going to Italy, had to be paid for in American money.—Reuter.

Dead Reckoning

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Doris was preparing the meal, but turned as I entered. Never before had I seen the look that I saw in her face at that moment—fear battling with resolve.

"Who is that boy?" I asked her. "I have already told you, father," she answered: "he is a young man named Thorpe—Edward Thorpe."

"Ah," said I, momentarily at a loss, "a young man named Thorpe. And why does he come here?"

"We love one another," she told me, looking full into my eyes with no hint of timidity; "we are engaged to be married."

I could not speak. I could not even protest when, at no invitation of mine, this youth had the effrontery to come in to supper. The world—my twin worlds—rocked under my feet.

It was a terrible meal. I, speechless, at one end of the table, my daughter, pale but courteous, at the other, and this clown set between us, regaling us, as he no doubt thought, with anecdotes of life down South.

And this was not enough, but he must come into the kitchen afterwards and help to wash up. He said it made him feel more at home. Now, it has been my custom, ever since leaving a civilisation that I shudder and find comfort in this far corner of the earth, to help wash up when I am at home.

The thing is part of the routine of life, and as such demands proper management. A nice adjustment of the water's temperature is necessary, for if too hot it may crack glass and china and ruin knife handles; and if too cold, in spite of a certain amount of soda, it fails to remove grease.

Then, too, it is my invariable habit at the end to turn the wash-bowl upside down to drain, and spread the dishcloth upon it to dry. It occurs to me that these may appear small matters to some, but is not life composed of such, and do they not often turn out to be the greater? And our uninvited guest disorganised the entire routine by pathetic efforts at buffoonery such as trying one of Doris's aprons about his waist, making a napkin-ring climb his finger by a circular motion of the hand, and laughing openly at what he evidently regarded as our fads.

The spreading of the dishcloth on the washbowl appeared to amuse him most of all.

"I suppose you always do that," he said.

"It is the custom in this house," said I.

"And when you come to think of it, why not?" he reflected, with his handsome head at an angle.

"There are many things one has to come to think of—before one knows anything," said I.

And at that he laughed good-naturedly.

At length he went. From my easy-chair in the living-room, I heard the last "Good night" and his assured football on the verandah steps. Doris came straight to me. I knew she would. Perching herself on the arm of my chair, as she used to when a child, she encircled my shoulder with her arm.

"Do you hate him, father?" she asked me.

I answered her question with another question, "Do you?"

"Do you fear me, Doris?" For the look in her face that evening had shocked me.

"I used to sometimes," she said, "but not now."

"And what has worked the transformation?"

She leaned over and whispered in my ear.

I held her from me and studied her as though for the first time. She was young, beautiful, fragile, yet she was stronger than I. I am no fool. I knew that nothing I could do or say would have one particle of weight with her now. She loved, and was loved.

"Then I have nothing to say," said I.

"Nothing?" she questioned me, and again presently, "nothing?"

And at last I heard myself muttering the absurd formula of wishes for their happiness.

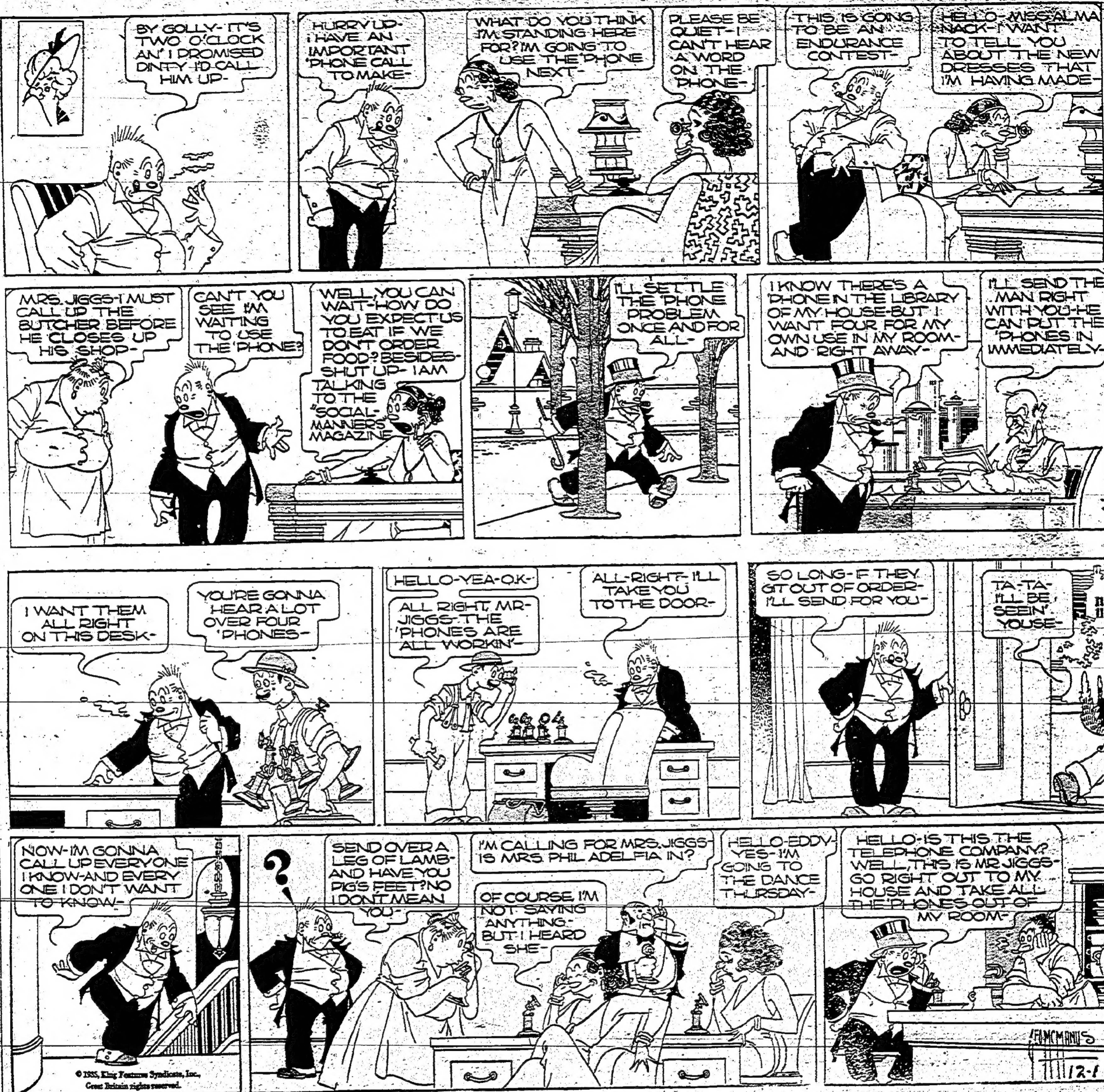
It was bound to come some time. It had come, that was all, and I made the best of it. Of an evening that boy would sit with us and make suggestions for the betterment of the business—my business. He pointed out that new blood was needed—his blood. By heavens, how he talked! and there is an insidious power in words. Usher them often enough, with youthful enthusiasm behind them, and they resolve themselves into deeds.

I cannot explain even to myself how it came about, but this was the plan to take my kith to Sydney, where she would apparently realize an enormous sum as a converted yacht, and buy another, installing an auxiliary engine with some of the proceeds.

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Dick Powell, Fred Allen, Ann Dvorak, Paul Whiteman and his band, Patry Kelly, Raymond Walburn and the Yacht Club Boys are among the stars that contribute to the mirth and melody of "Thanks a Million," the 20th Century picture which will be coming to King's and Alhambra Theatres soon.

TALKIE TALKS

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The Star

A very fine drama of life in a coal-mining community, with a drab atmosphere and little feminine interest but great acting from the star, Paul Muni, puts "Black Fury" in the front rank. Karen Morley and Bill Gargan are among the supporting players.

It is followed by "Star of Midnight," a very good comedy-thriller starring Ginger Rogers and William Powell. Dialogue and performances are above the average. In "Car 99" we have an insight into the lives led by the motorcycle "Cop" in those United States with Sir Guy Standing as the villain with Fred MacMurray as the hero. Exciting in parts. (Star).

Oriental

"Charlie Chan in Egypt" with Warner Oland as the Chinese philosopher-detective who goes to the Tombs of the Pharaohs to encounter murder and unravel the mysteries. Pat Patterson and

Thomas Beck in the romance. Then comes "Casino de Paris," a most enjoyable back-stage musical with husband and wife in the star roles. Ruby Keeler and Al Jolson turn in good work. The usual spectacular dance ensembles, catchy songs and fine cast make it a lively worth-while entertainment. "Stranded," with Kay Francis and George Brent, shows us Kay as a social worker and George as a builder of the new San Francisco Bridge. Kay, although in love with George, refuses to marry him because he is antagonistic to her work. Weak story, but performances O.K. (Oriental).

Majestic

The two best-loved musical stars, Ginger Rogers and Fred Astaire, are featured in "Roberta." Irene Dunne and Randolph Scott help considerably, but it is the marvelous dancing, the breezy and natural comedy, the good story and beautiful mannequin parade that makes this tip-top entertainment. After this comes a Chinese picture, but later on Janet Gaynor, Walter King and Warner Baxter appear in "One More Spring," a human story of the present-day depression in New York. Walter King almost steals the picture as the violinist out-of-work and Roger Imhof gives one of his best characterisations as the Park keeper. (Majestic).—DIANE.

\$5,000 LIFEBOAT GIFT

Lady Harrison has given \$5,000 to the Royal National Lifeboat Institution for a motor-lifeboat in memory of her late husband, Sir Heath Harrison, the shipowner.

TROLLEY-BUS OPPONENTS

Barnet Council are protesting against a proposal to run trolley-buses in Wood-street.



Paul Whiteman and his band contribute to the mirth and melody of the 20th Century Production "Thanks a Million," which will be screened at the "King's and Alhambra" Theatres shortly.

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MODEL WITH ARMCHAIRS

Detroit—"The car of the future" is now being commercially produced. The original model was designed more than a year ago. Next year 100 cars will be produced and sold to the public at U. S. \$5,000 each.

The Stout "Scarab," so-called because of a fancied resemblance to a beetle, was developed by Mr. William Stout, a Detroit engineer. It has no chassis, and the engine (a Ford V-8) clutch and transmission are mounted in the rear.

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The inside of the body is far more roomy than the interior of the conventional car. Only the driver's seat is fixed. The others, resembling armchairs, may be moved at will over the carpeted floor.

There is also a table round which the occupants may gather to play cards or eat a meal. The armchairs may be placed together to make a sleeping couch.

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London.—Jean Sibelius, the 70-year-old Finnish composer, has been awarded one of the most coveted honours which can be bestowed on any musician, the Royal Philharmonic Gold Medal.

After his Sixth Symphony had been played by the London Philharmonic Orchestra at Queen's Hall, the medal was presented by Sir Thomas Beecham to Mr. G. A. Gripenberg, the Finnish Minister, who received it on behalf of the composer.

Sir Thomas said that Sibelius was an international figure. "Like any other true composer," he added, "appreciation of his works has been slow and gradual, but they have now taken a firm hold on the affections of the whole of the musical public."

Message Read

Mr. Gripenberg read the following message from Sibelius: "This great distinction, the 'Beethoven' Gold Medal, greatest that can be given to a composer, makes me feel very honoured and proud. The Royal Philharmonic Society has always shown great interest in my works and admirable understanding of them. The sympathy my music has always met with in England is such that I can never forget how much it has meant to me, and my gratefulness towards England will last to the end of my life."

The Finnish Minister told Reuter that the medal would be taken to Sibelius by a diplomatic courier, together with a programme of the concert signed by Sir Thomas Beecham and the Directors of the Society.

WEATHER REPORT

The anticyclone is moving slowly eastward, and pressure is now highest over the Sea of Japan. The depression over the China Sea has probably filled up, and a V-shaped depression has developed over the Loochoos. North-east winds, fresh, fine generally, was the forecast for to-day, as issued by the Royal Observatory this morning.



Premier Mussolini's sons, Vittorio (at right in the foreground) and Bruno (middle facing the camera), photographed after bombing attack on the Abruzzian Fara.

RESCUE FIRE SETS SHIP ALIGHT

Embarrassing Choice For Crew

Berlin.—A choice between drowning or being burned to death faced the crew of the German motor-freighter Regulus when she ran on a reef off the German North Sea coast.

When she struck, the captain lit a fire to summon help from land. He was feeding the flames with petrol when the storm knocked the petrol can out of his hand.

The petrol burst into flames and spread all over the deck, setting the whole ship alight.

But just as the sailors were about to cast themselves into the boiling sea, the lifeboat from Nordeney, Hanover, which had seen the leaping flames, came to their rescue and saved them all.

COMMUNISTS ON RADIO

Secret Station In Operation

Geneva.

For more than a week the police here have been searching in vain for a secret Communist Broadcasting Station.

It has been operating from here on a wave-length close to that of Scottens, the principal French-language station of Switzerland.

The station has been broadcasting Communist songs and speeches.

—Reuter.

FIRST-CLASS SLEEPER IN FLAMES

Hsuechow, to-day.—A first-class sleeper of the northbound Tientsin-Pukou express No. 306 was reduced to ashes as the result of a wiring defect which enveloped the coach in flames at 11 o'clock on Wednesday night, when the train was passing through Chowwahwei. Nobody was injured.—Central News Agency.

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